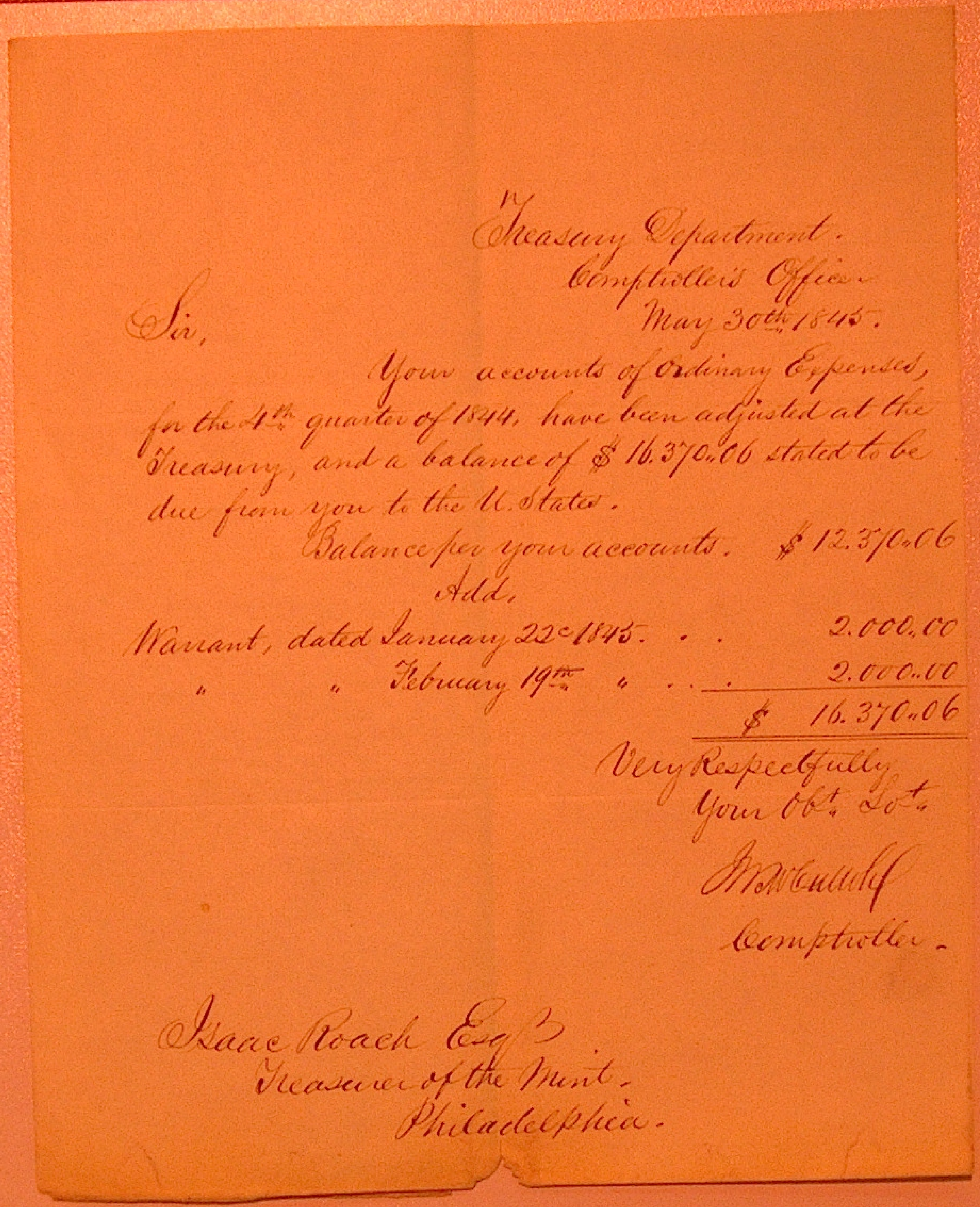


Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office
May 30th 1845.

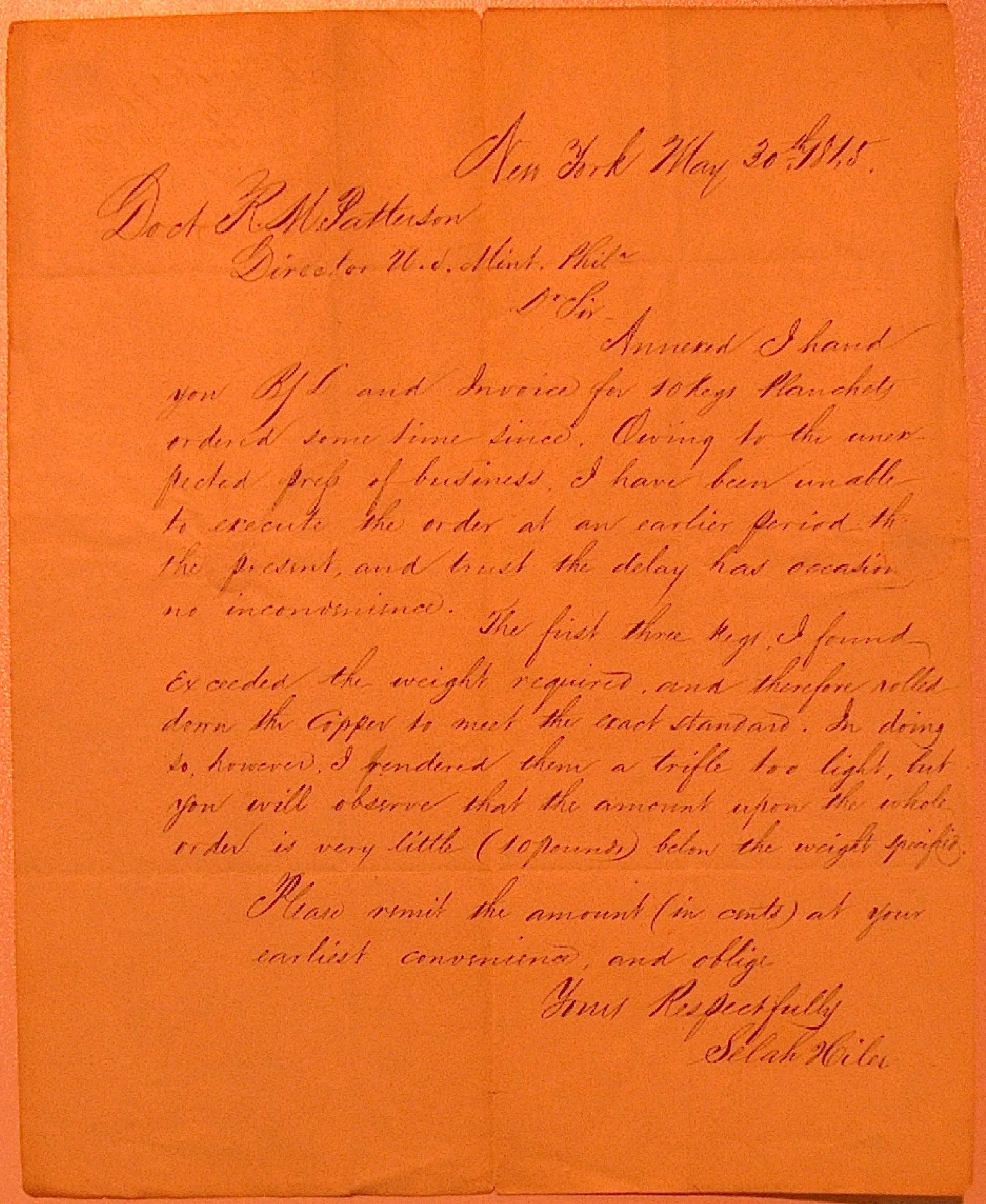
Sir,

Your accounts of Ordinary Expenses, for the 4th quarter of 1844, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 16.370.06 stated to be due from you to the U. States.

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance per your accounts. | $ 12.370.06 |
| Add, | |
| Warrant, dated January 22d 1845. . . | 2.000.00 |
| " " February 19th " . . . | 2.000.00 |
| | $ 16.370.06 |

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. St.
J W McCulloch
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esqr.
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.



New York May 30th 1845.

Doct R. M. Patterson
Director U. S. Mint. Phila
Dr Sir

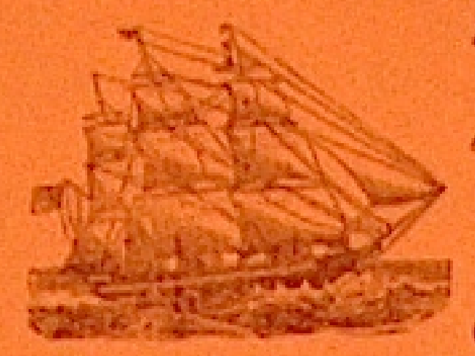
Annexed I hand you B/L and Invoice for 10 kegs Planchets ordered some time since. Owing to the unexpected preſs of business, I have been unable to execute the order at an earlier period th the present, and trust the delay has occasion no inconvenience.

The first three kegs, I found Exceeded the weight required, and therefore rolled down the Copper to meet the exact standard. In doing so, however, I rendered them a trifle too light, but you will observe that the amount upon the whole order is very little (10 pounds) below the weight specified.

Please remit the amount (in cents) at your earliest convenience, and oblige

Yours Respectfully
Selah Hiler

7.115.40.



**Shipped,** in good order and well conditioned, by S. T. Robinson Cashier on board the Brig called the Paul T. Jones whereof Taylor is Master; now lying in the Port of **CHARLESTON,** and bound for Philadelphia Penn.

To say,— One parcel. Gold Bullion. said to contain Seven thousand one hundred & fifteen Dollars & forty cents

R. M. Patterson
Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like order and condition, at the Port of Philadelphia Penn (the dangers of the seas only excepted,) unto R. M. Patterson. Director U. S. Mint. Philadelphia or to his aſsigns, he ~~or they paying~~ freight for the said Bullion at the rate of one quarter of one per cent. amounting to Seventeen 79/100 Dollars ($17.79) being paid in this place, before the signing of these presents ~~with primage and average accustomed~~ In witneſs whereof, the Master or Purser of the said Veſsel hath affirmed to Three Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Dated in **Charleston,** the 3rd day of June 1845.

James Taylor

Planters & Mechs Bank of So Ca
Charleston 3 June 1845

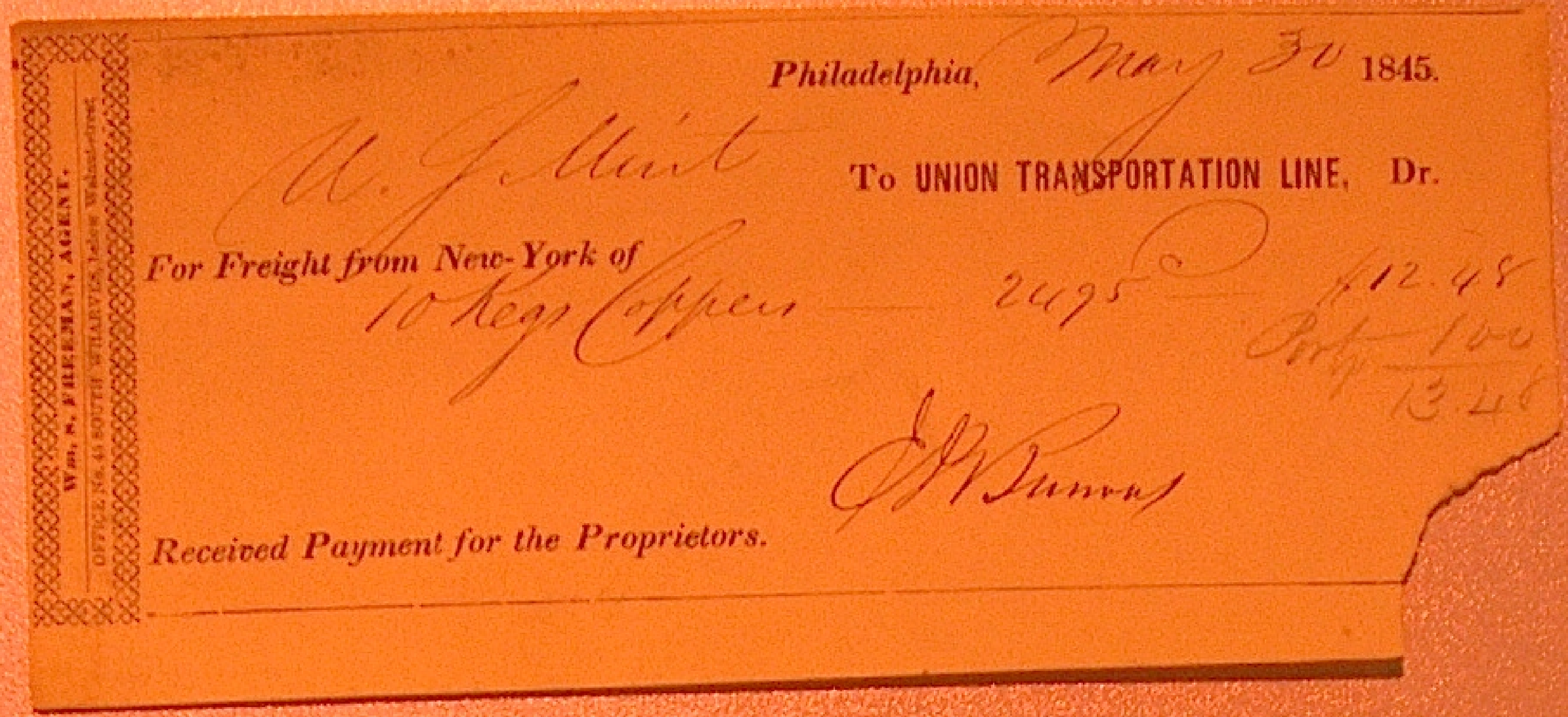
Dear Sir,

Annexed you have bill of lading for a parcel of gold bullion marked to contain $7.115. 40/100 Seven thousand one hundred & fifteen 40/100 Dollars for account of Bank of Cape Fear, Branch at Asheville, No Ca—

Please advise J. F. E. Hardy Cashier of its receipt —

Yam Respy,
Yr Obt Sert
S. T. Robinson
Cas'r

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of
U. S. Mint
Phila



Wm. S. FREEMAN, AGENT.
OFFICE No. 45 SOUTH WHARVES, below Walnut-street.

Philadelphia, May 30 1845.

U. S. Mint

To UNION TRANSPORTATION LINE, Dr.

For Freight from New-York of
10 Kegs Copper — 2495 lb $12.48
Port 1.00
13.48

J. P. Burrows

Received Payment for the Proprietors.

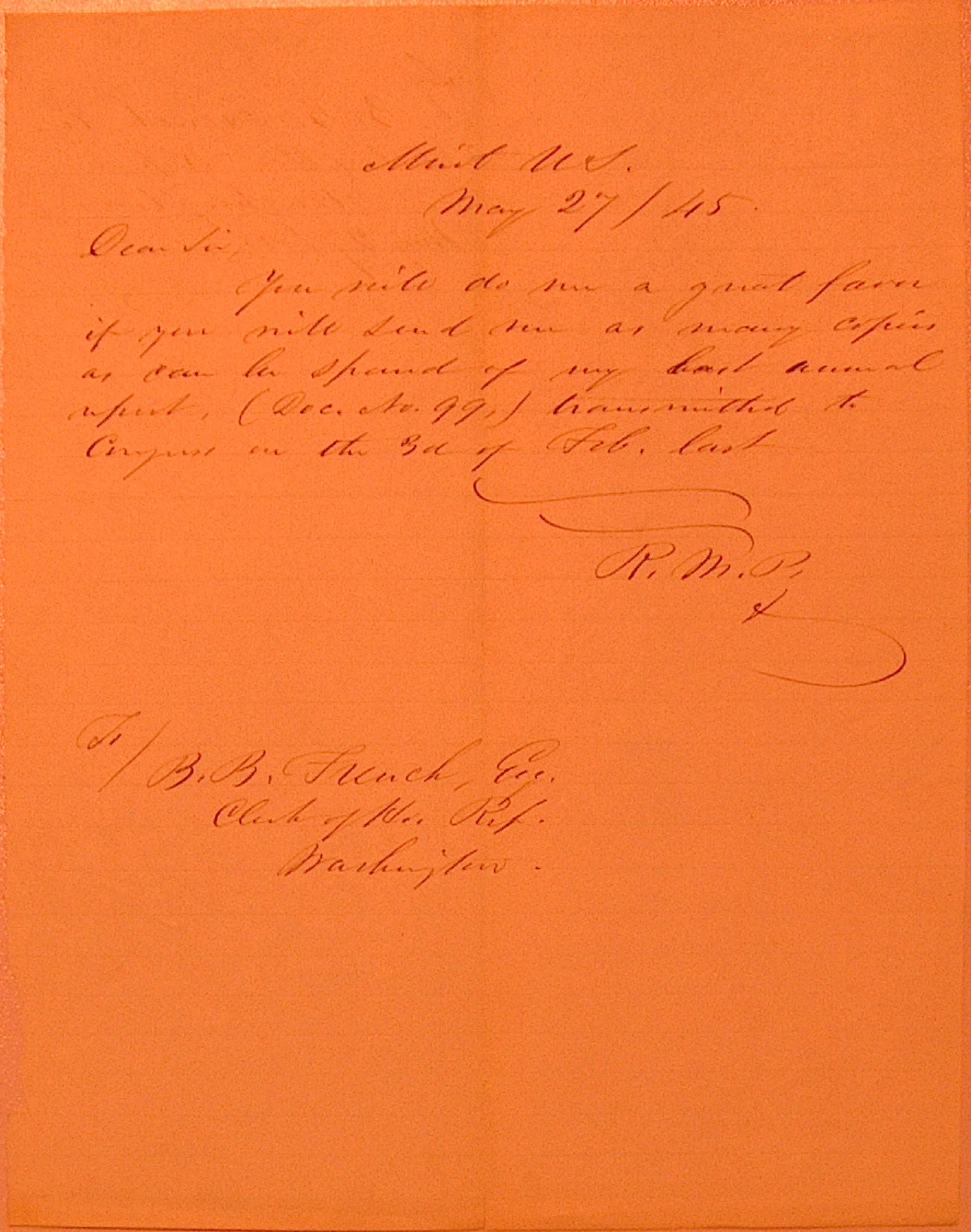
TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,
29 May 1845.

*Sir:*

*Enclosed you will receive* One *Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.*

*I am, respectfully,*
*Sir, your obedient servant,*
WM. SELDEN,
*Treasurer of the United States.*

R. M. Patterson Esqr



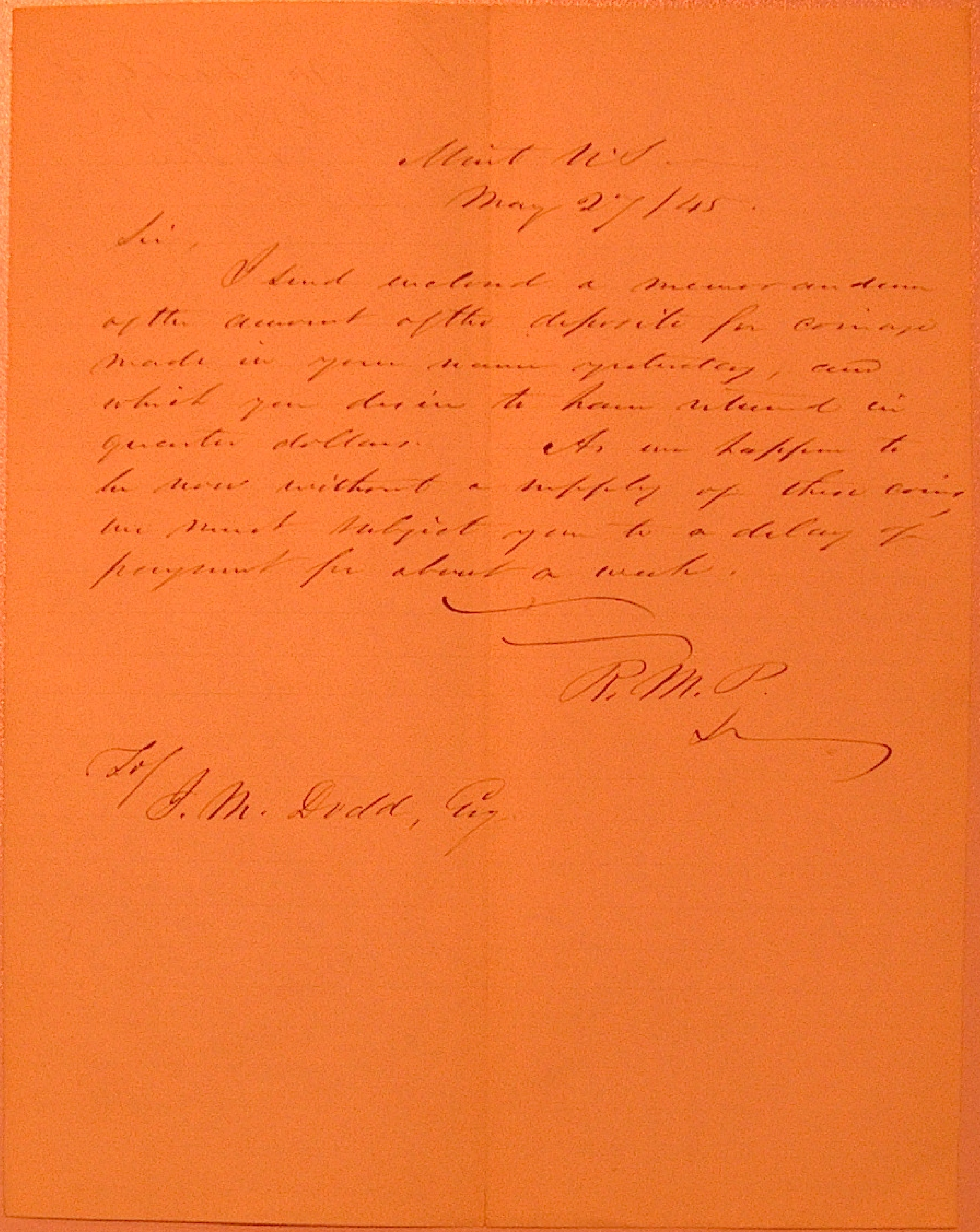
Mint U.S.
May 27/45.

Dear Sir,

You will do me a great favor if you will send me as many copies as can be spared of my last annual report, (Doc. No. 99.) transmitted to Congress on the 3d of Feb. last.

R. M. P.

To/ B. B. French, Esq.
Clerk of Ho. Rep.
Washington.



Mint U.S.
May 27/45.

Sir,

I send enclosed a memorandum of the amount of the deposits for coinage made in your name yesterday, and which you desire to have returned in quarter dollars. As we happen to be now without a supply of these coins we must subject you to a delay of payment for about a week.

R.M.P.
Dir

To/ J. M. Dodd, Esq.

List of Gold Bullion Sent to U.S. Mint Phila by Charlotte May 24th 1845

|  |  | Dwt. |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| No 1 | W. A. Erwin | 273 | ✓ |
| " 2 | R. Cannon | 342 | ✓ |
| " 3 | J. McDaniel | 450 | ✓ |
| " 4 | J. M. Cannon | 341 | ✓ |
| " 5 | G. F. Taylor | 262 | ✓ |
| " 6 | K. P. Price | 285 | ✓ |
| " 7 | W. F. McKesson | 1121 | ✓ |
| " 8 | McDaniel & Erwin | 417 |  |
| " 9 | Tate McDaniel &c | 355 |  |
| " 10 | H. G. Brown | 276 |  |
| " 11 | W. C. Erwin | 171 |  |
| " 12 | Porter & Hampton | 525 |  |
| " 13 | W. W. Avery &c | 1225 |  |
| " 14 | D. Glass | 270 |  |
| " 15 | W. F. McKesson | 1277 | ✓ |
| " 16 | W. W. Avery | 396 |  |
| " 17 | W. H. Robards Jr | 448 |  |
| " 18 | A. B. & Phi Bankers | 177 |  |
|  |  | 8576 |  |

B. C. C. F. Br at Asheville May 28th 1845 [illegible]

R. M. Patterson Esqr

Dear Sir I send you a list of Gold Bullion sent by Charlotte on the 24th for Phila please send me the assay as heretofore

Very Respt

Your obt Servt J. F. E. Hardy Cash

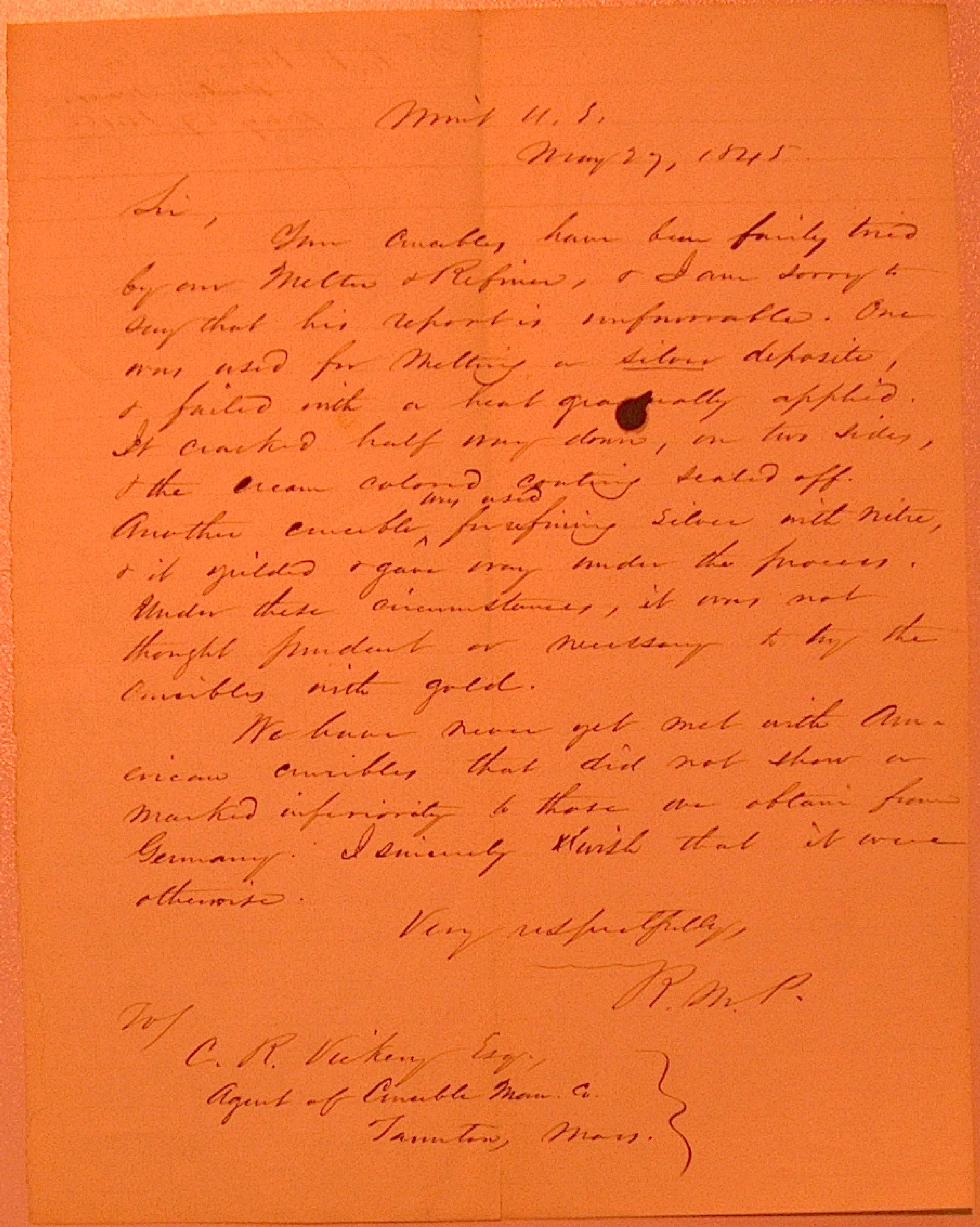
Taunton May 26. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U.S. Mint
Dear Sir

Annexed we hand bill of 18 Kegs planchets made from American Copper, same as last inv°.

The amount of this bill $1.382.40. We will thank you to send in cert. to Messrs. A. G. Willets as heretofore —

We are
Yours
Very Respectfully
Crocker Bros. & Co.



Mint U. S.
May 27, 1845.

Sir,

Your Crucibles have been fairly tried by our Melter & Refiner, & I am sorry to say that his report is unfavorable. One was used for Melting a Silver deposite, & failed with a heat gradually applied. It cracked half way down, on two sides, & the cream colored coating scaled off. Another crucible, was used for refining silver with nitre, & it yielded & gave way under the process. Under these circumstances, it was not thought prudent or necessary to try the crucibles with gold.

We have never yet met with American crucibles that did not show a marked inferiority to those we obtain from Germany. I sincerely wish that it were otherwise.

Very respectfully,
R. M. P.

To/
C. R. Vickery Esq.,
Agent of Crucible Manu. Co.
Taunton, Mass.

Boston May 23 1845

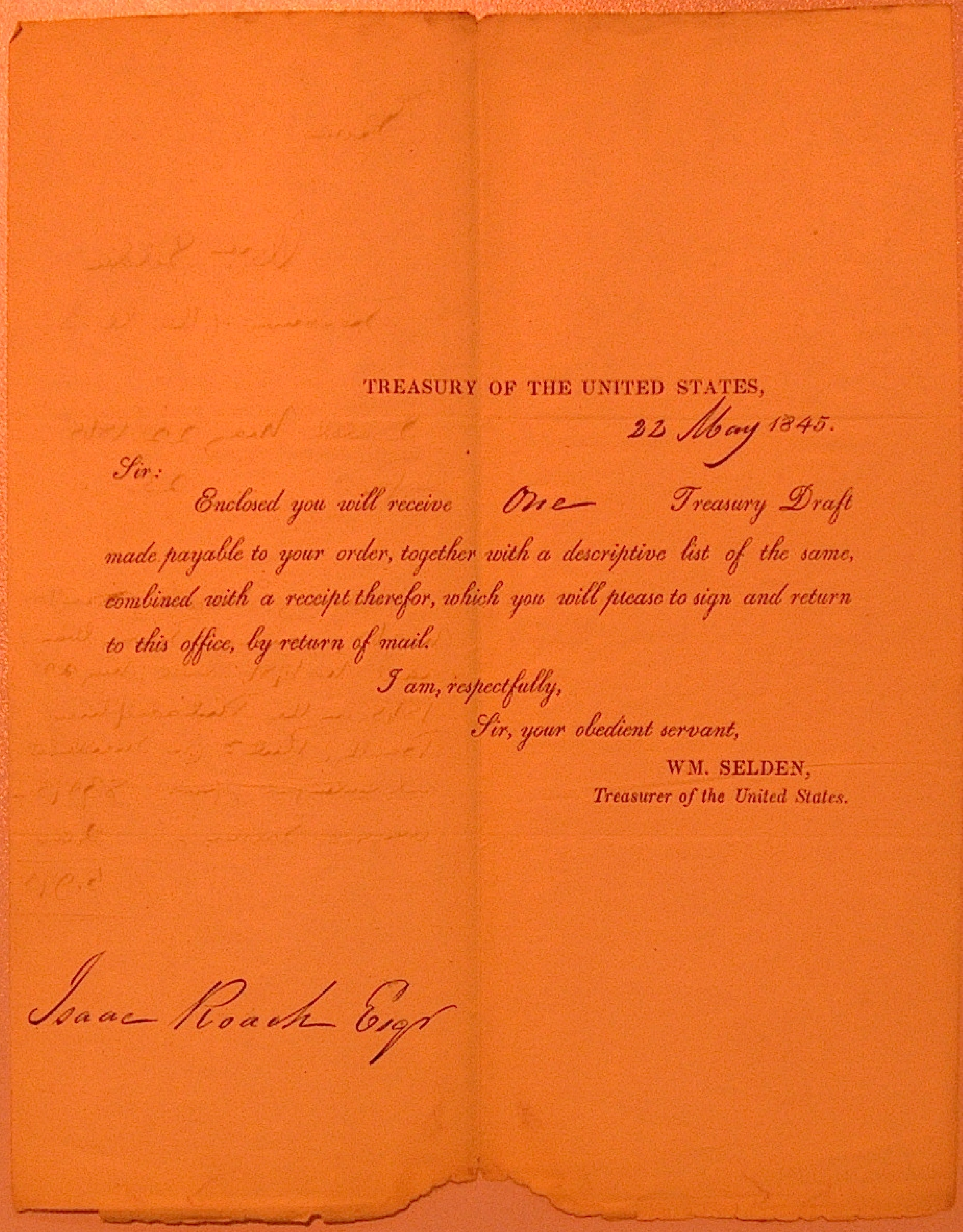
Mr R M Patterson
Director
of the U. S. Mint at Phil$^{a}$

Dear Sir

I send by Expreſs 1 Box containing Mexican Dollars Weighing 865 oz 10 which you will please have coined into Quarters as early as you can – please let me know by Mail when they will be ready for me

Yours Respectfully

S. M. Dodd
No 72 State Street



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

22 May 1845.

*Sir:*

*Enclosed you will receive* One *Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.*

*I am, respectfully,*

*Sir, your obedient servant,*

WM. SELDEN,

*Treasurer of the United States.*

Isaac Roach Esqr

Bank of the State of No Caro
Br at Charlotte 22d May 18

Dear Sir

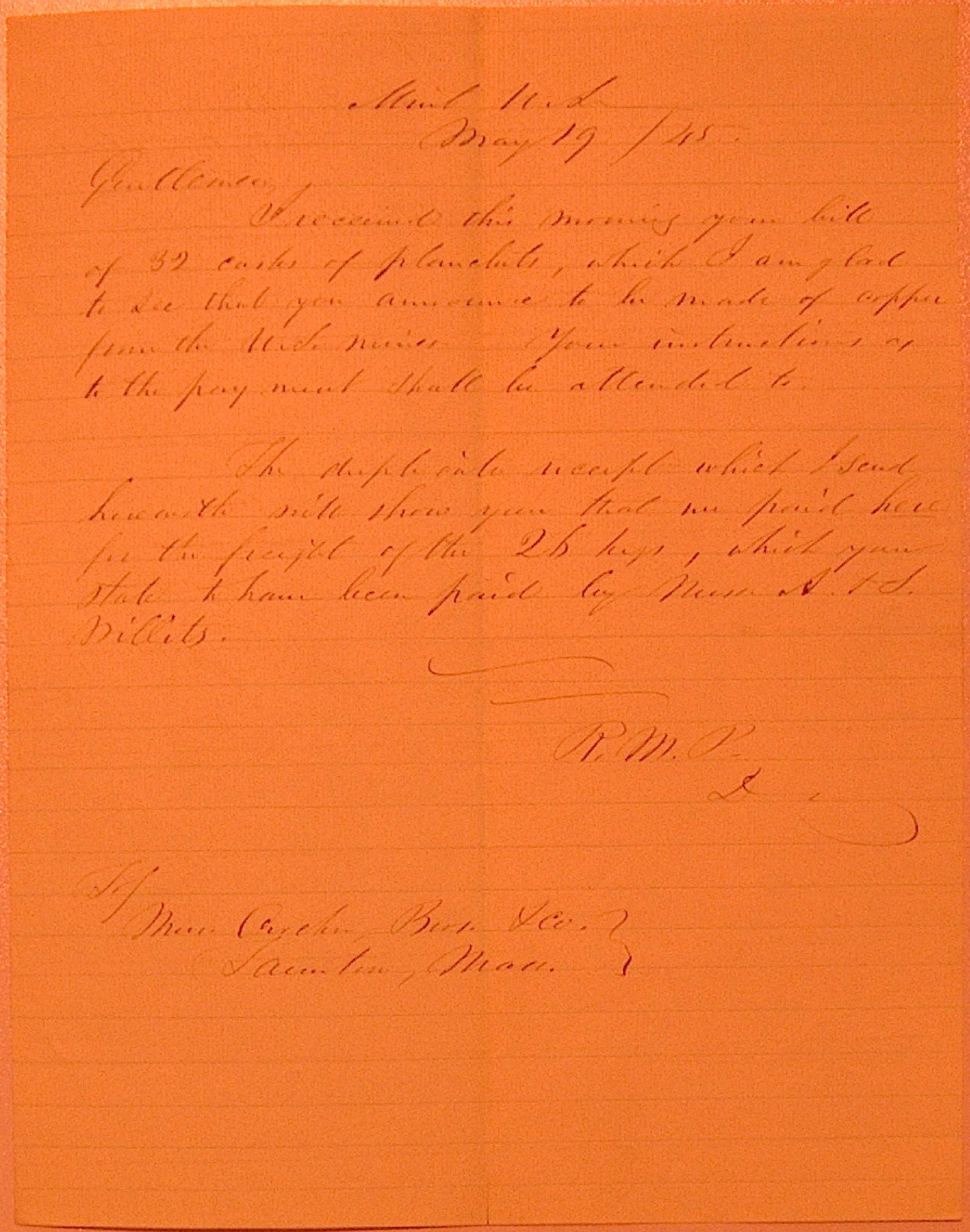
I send you herewith by Mr Irwin a package Containing ten parcels Gold Bullion which I will thank you to have assayed seperately and send me memorandum of assay and Certificate by mail as early as convenient

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| No 1 | W. W. | Elms | 8 | Bars | 2.117.12 |
| 2 | H. M. | Houston | 4 | " | 733.21 |
| 3 | H. M. H | for E. Stewart | 1 | " | 351. |
| 4 | Eli | Stewart | 5 | " | 1.941. |
| 5 | Tho | Trotter | 2 | " | 630 |
| 6 | R. | Fredericwick | 1 | " | 129. 8 |
| 7 | R.H. | Morrison & Co | 2 | " | 651. |
| 8 | Amos | Stevens | 1 | " | 110. |
| 9 | J. J. | Maxwell | 17 | " | 2.264. 11 |
| 10 | H. B. | Williams | 2 | " | 578. 8 |

I send also another small package for Mr William A Williams which please have assayed to itself and send me mem of assay and Certificate in his name.

Very Respectfully
Yr ob. St
W. A. Lucas
Cashr

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philada



Mint U.S.
May 19 / 45.

Gentlemen,

I received this morning your bill of 32 casks of planchets, which I am glad to see that you announce to be made of copper from the U.S. mines. Your instructions as to the payment shall be attended to.

The duplicate receipt which I send herewith will show you that we paid here for the freight of the 26 kegs, which you state to have been paid by Mess A. & S. Willets.

R.M.P.
D.

To
Mess Crocker Bros & Co.
Taunton, Mass.

p Cambria

London 19th May 1845.

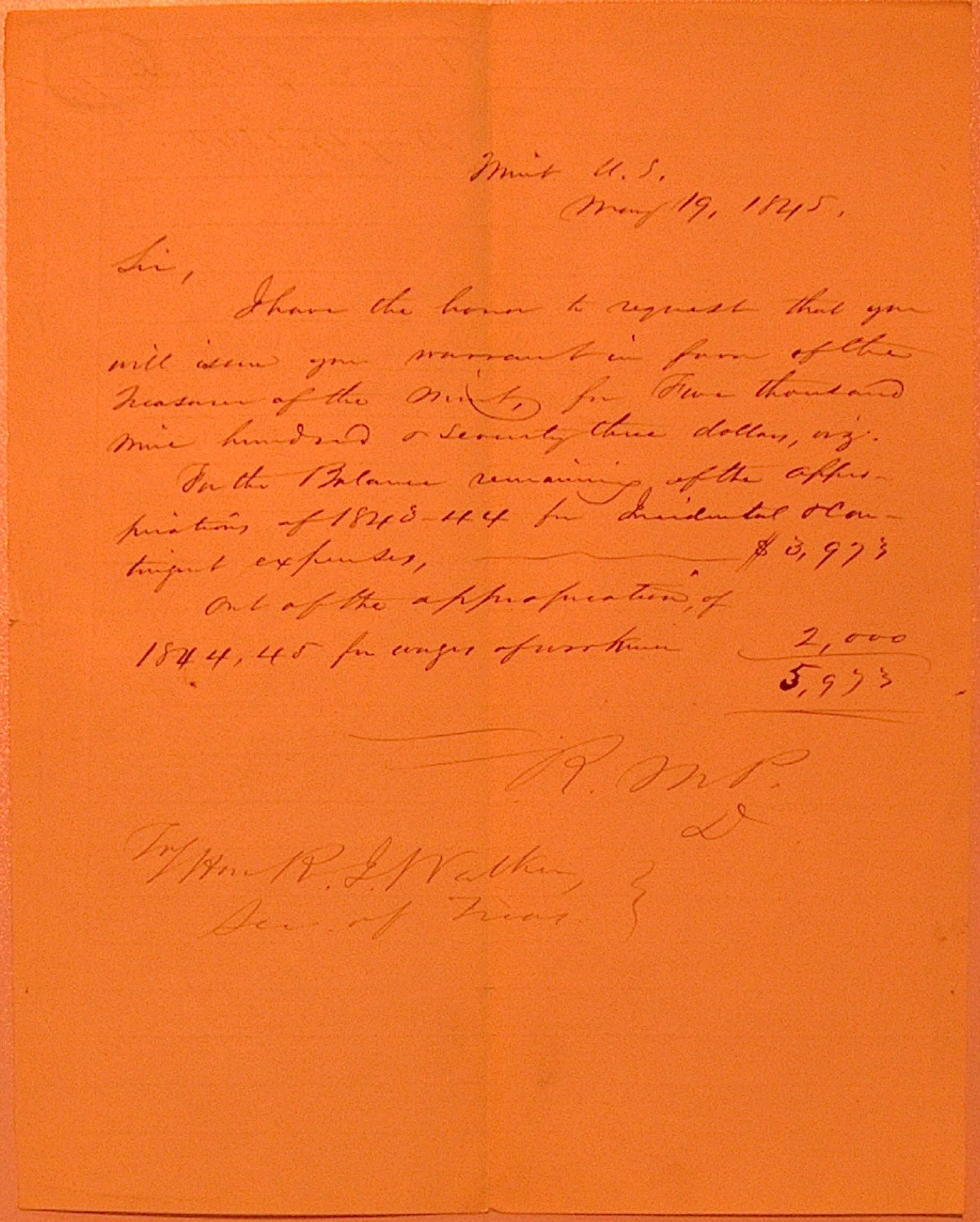
R. M. Patterson Esq
Phila

Dear Sir

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your favors by Mr Cresson and Dr Meigs — also the Pkt by Pro: C which is sent to Mr Stokes: & we are both glad the coins reached your Mint safely.

We are very much pleased with Professor Cresson & Dr Meigs. & am
Your's in haste

Petty Vaughan



Mint U.S.
May 19, 1845.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Five thousand nine hundred & seventy three dollars, viz.

For the Balance remaining of the appropriations of 1843-44 for Incidental & Contingent expenses, —— $3,973

Out of the appropriation of 1844,45 for wages of workmen 2,000

5,973

R. M. P.
D

To Hon. R. J. Walker,
Sec. of Treas.

Taunton May 16. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U. S. Mint
Sir

We annex bill of 32 casks Planchets — & B/Lading of same — amounting to $2.457:60 — The freight will be paid by us here —

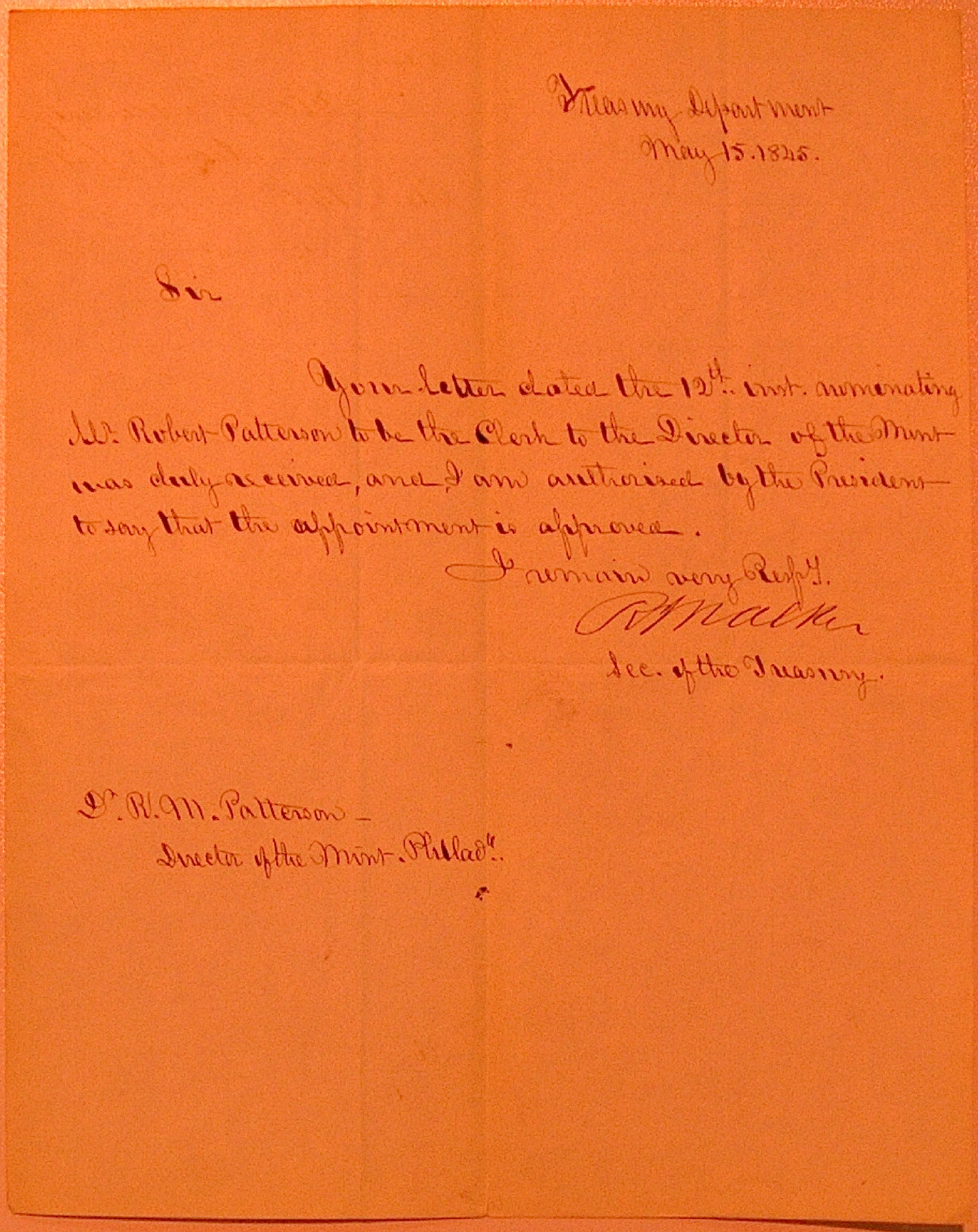
For the amount of this bill, we will thank you to ship to Messrs. H. N. Hooper & Co. — Copper Coin as heretofore —

These planchets are made from American Copper — i.e. from the mines in the United States —

Messrs. A. S. Willets, paid the freight on 26 kegs cents last sent them — which amount $13 — please add to the amount to be shipped to Boston as above —

We remain

Yours very Respectfully
Crocker Bros. & Co.



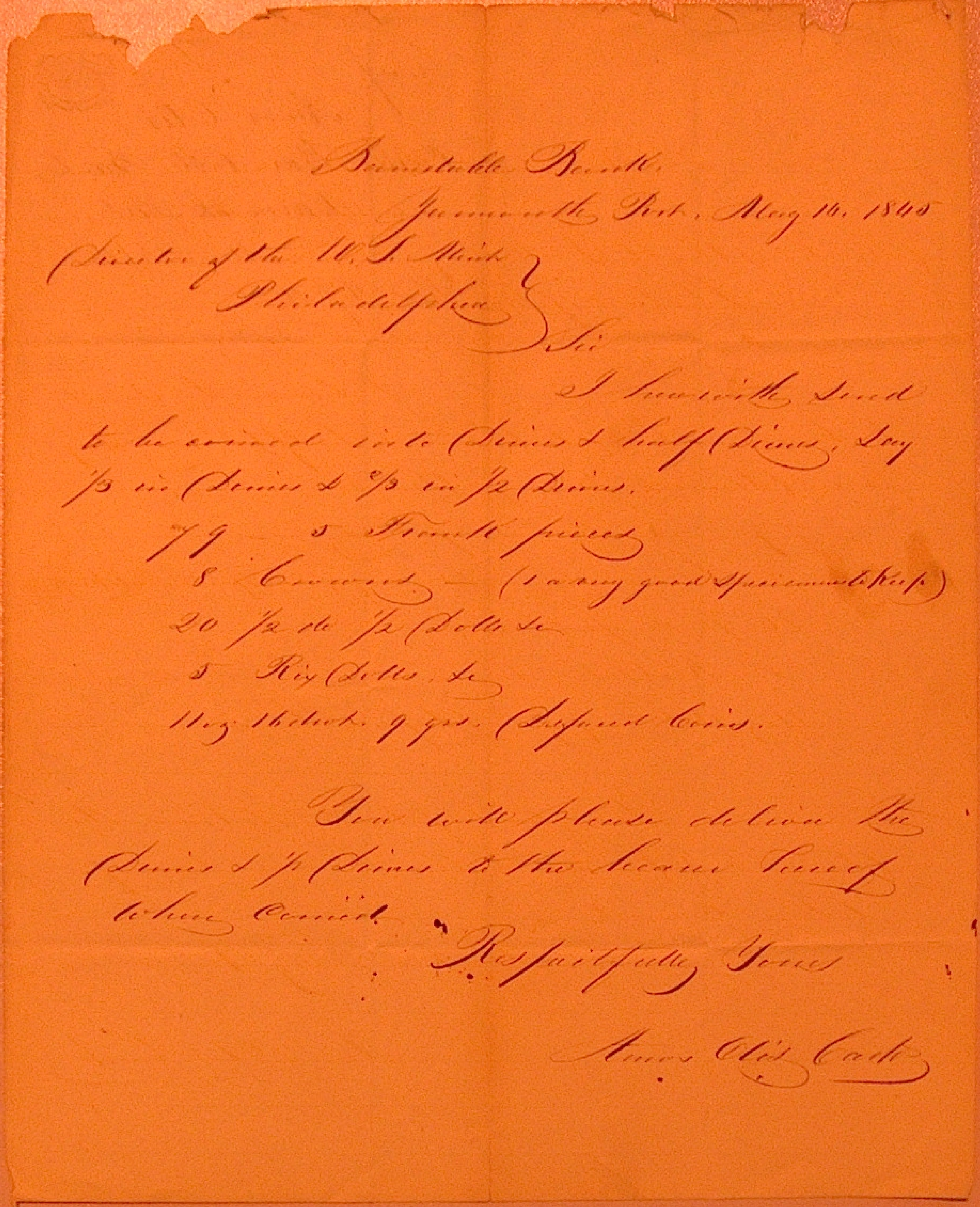
Treasury Department
May 15. 1845.

Sir

Your letter dated the 12th. inst. nominating Mr. Robert Patterson to be the Clerk to the Director of the Mint was duly received, and I am authorised by the President to say that the appointment is approved.

I remain very Resp[y].
R J Walker
Sec. of the Treasury.

Dr. R. M. Patterson —
Director of the Mint. Philad[a].



Barnstable Bank.
Yarmouth Port, May 14. 1845

Director of the U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

I herewith send to be coined into Dimes & half Dimes, say 1/3 in Dimes & 2/3 in 1/2 Dimes.

7 9 — 5 Franc pieces
8 Crowns — (1 a very good specimen to keep)
20 1/2 do 1/2 Dolls &c
5 Rix Dolls. &c
Wg. thereof of yr. Foreign Coins.

You will please deliver the Dimes & 1/2 Dimes to the bearer hereof when coined.

Respectfully Yours

Amos Otis Cash.

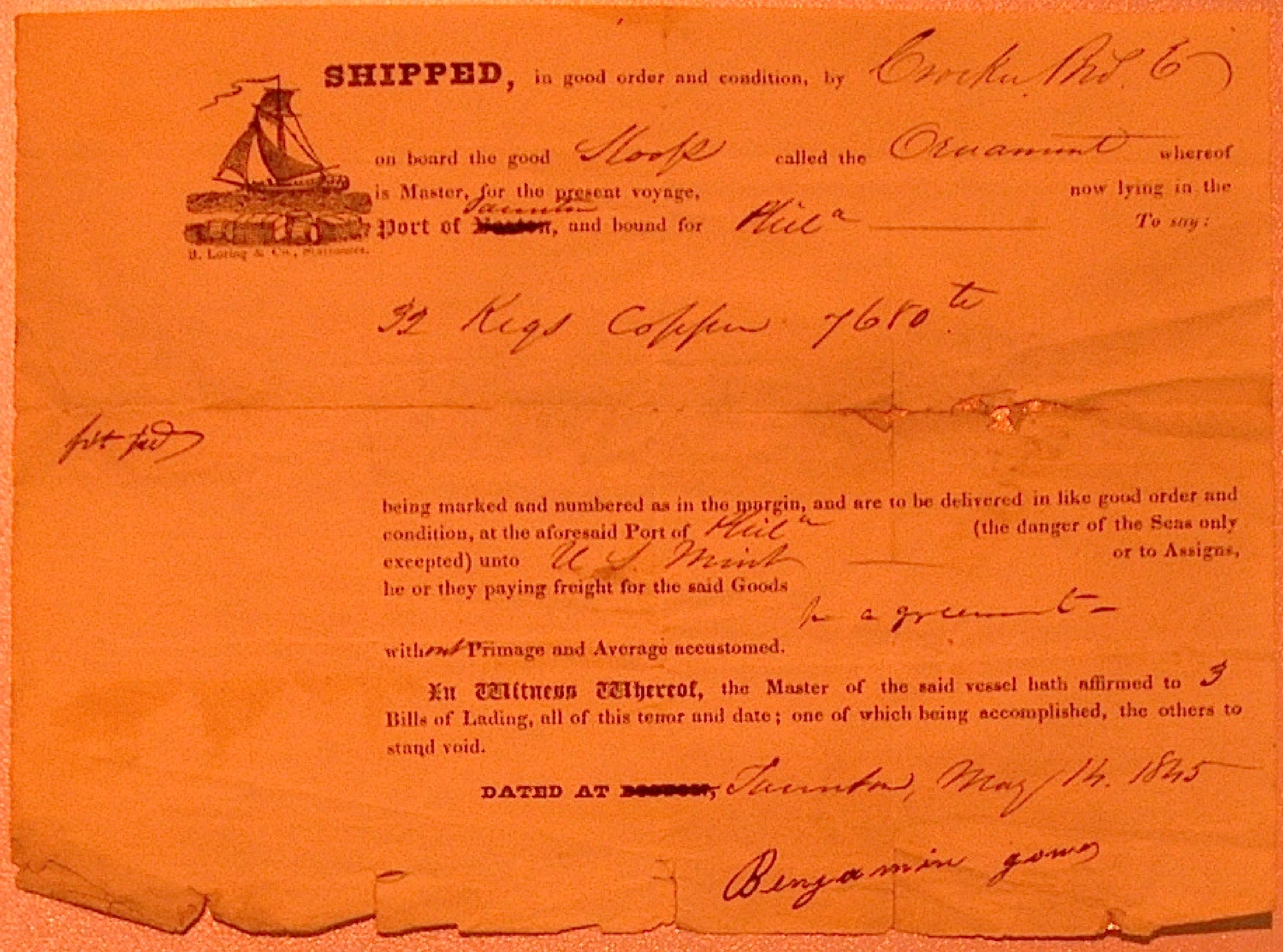
Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, May 10, 1845.

My dear Sir,

Major Isaac Roach, who now fills so well the office of Treasurer of the Mint, has been informed that you deem it important for him to show "that he was not a mere political appointment, and that a Democrat had not been turned out to give place to him." Allow me, then, to state, that when the Subtreasury was established, a very heavy security was required of Gov. Findlay, who was then our treasurer, and that he refused to give it, and ~~presented~~ offered his resignation. The place, however, was not filled, until after the ~~short~~ accession of Gen. Harrison, when Gov. Ritner was appointed ~~to the place~~. The Senate, as you know, refused to confirm this appointment; and then Major Roach became the successor, not of Gov. Findlay, but of Gov. Ritner. I will now only add that a more accurate, attentive, and unexceptionable officer could not fill the important and responsible place which he occupies.

Most respectfully and faithfully,
Your friend and servant,
R. M. Patterson.

Hon. James Buchanan.



B. Loring & Co., Stationers.

**SHIPPED,** in good order and condition, by Crocker Brs. & Co

on board the good Sloop called the Ornament whereof is Master, for the present voyage, now lying in the Port of ~~Boston~~ Taunton, and bound for Phila To say:

32 Kegs Copper 7680 lb

frt. pd

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in like good order and condition, at the aforesaid Port of Phila (the danger of the Seas only excepted) unto U. S. Mint or to Assigns, he or they paying freight for the said Goods

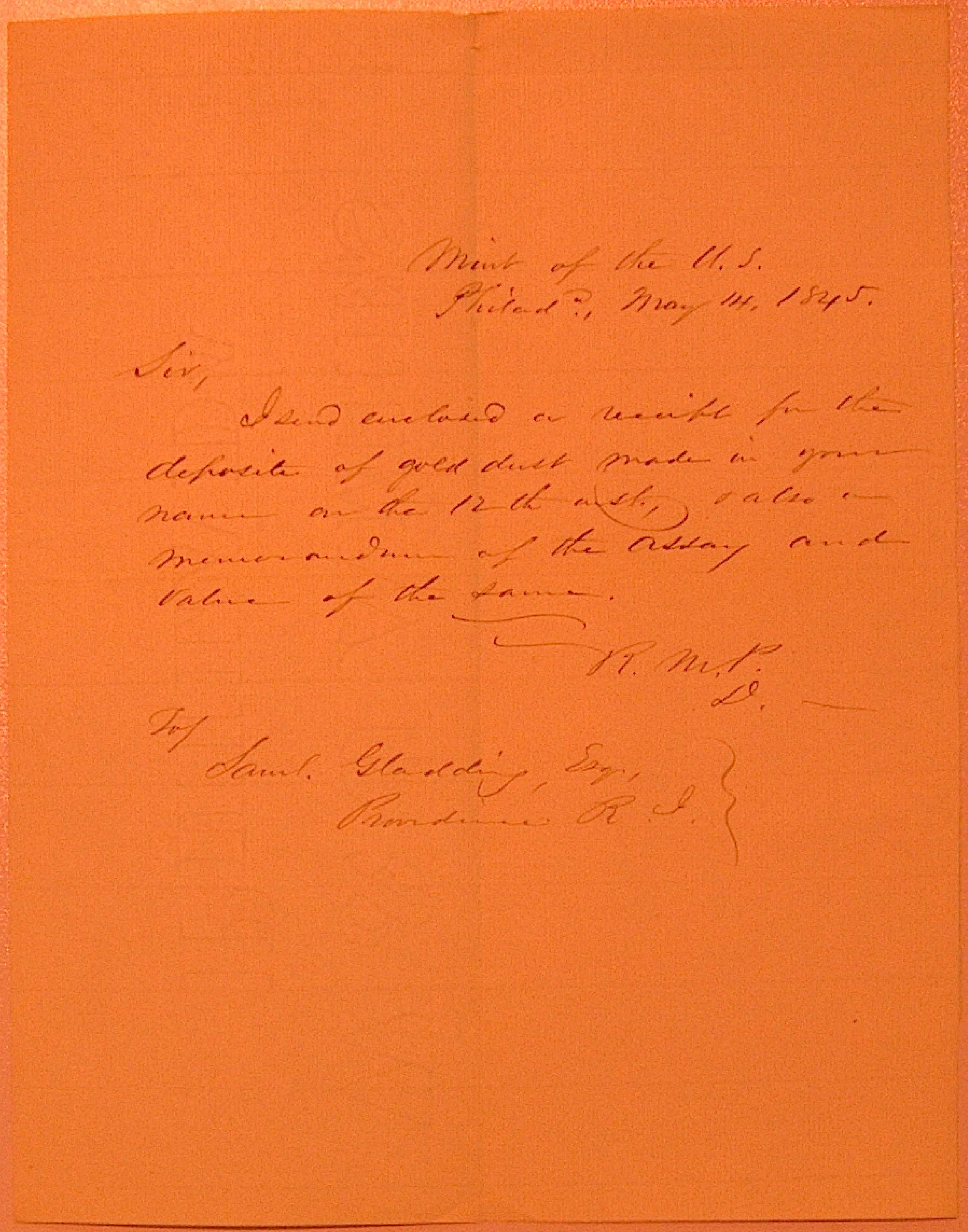
pr agreement—

without Primage and Average accustomed.

In Witness Whereof, the Master of the said vessel hath affirmed to 3 Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

DATED AT ~~Boston~~, Taunton, May 14. 1845

Benjamin Jones



Mint of the U. S.
Philada., May 14, 1845.

Sir,

I send enclosed a receipt for the deposite of gold dust made in your name on the 12th inst., & also a memorandum of the assay and value of the same.

R. M. P.
D.

To
Saml. Gladding, Esqr.,
Providence R. I.

Mint of the United States.
May 12, ~~Sept 14,~~ 1845.

Sir,

The Director's Clerk, Mr. George F. Dunning, has ~~to my [illegible]~~ determined, some months ago, ~~to a determination~~ to leave the ~~Mint~~ situation in the Mint which he has filled, for several years, to my entire satisfaction, ~~Circumstances induced me to ask that he would~~ and to return, with his family, to his native home, at Brunswick, in Maine. Circumstances made it desirable to ~~be~~ me that he should remain at the Mint longer than he had designed, and he has done so; but a period is come when he ought to be released.

Under the 3d Sect. of the Mint Act of Jan. 18, 1837, the Clerks of the Mint are appointed by the Director, with the approbation of the President. I accordingly now name for the place about to be vacated, Mr. Robert Patterson of this city; and I most respectfully apply, through you, to the President, for his approbation of this appointment.

As the place to be filled is in my own immediate department, and as it requires a person who has my entire confidence, and who must be brought into close personal as well as official connexion with me, I hope that I need not apologize for naming my own son.

That the President may judge of Mr. Patterson's fitness for the situation, I will mention that he had a thorough college education at the University of Virginia, and afterwards received the highest distinction in the Law class in that institution, of which he became a graduate. He then prepared himself, in the office of his uncle Mr. Kane, for admission into practice in the Courts in this city, and began the pursuit of his profession with a degree of success which would have put the acceptance of a clerkship out of the question. But unhappily he has become afflicted with a hardness of hearing which has interrupted his professional career, and which now makes the situation ~~to~~ Deputy's Clerks ~~which I desire~~ ~~for~~ ~~appointment~~, very desirable to him.

As he has a good education, good talents, and an unexceptionable personal character, I have great confidence in asking that the President will approve of his appointment.

R. M. P.
Dr.

To/ Hon. R. J. Walker,
Sec. of Treasury

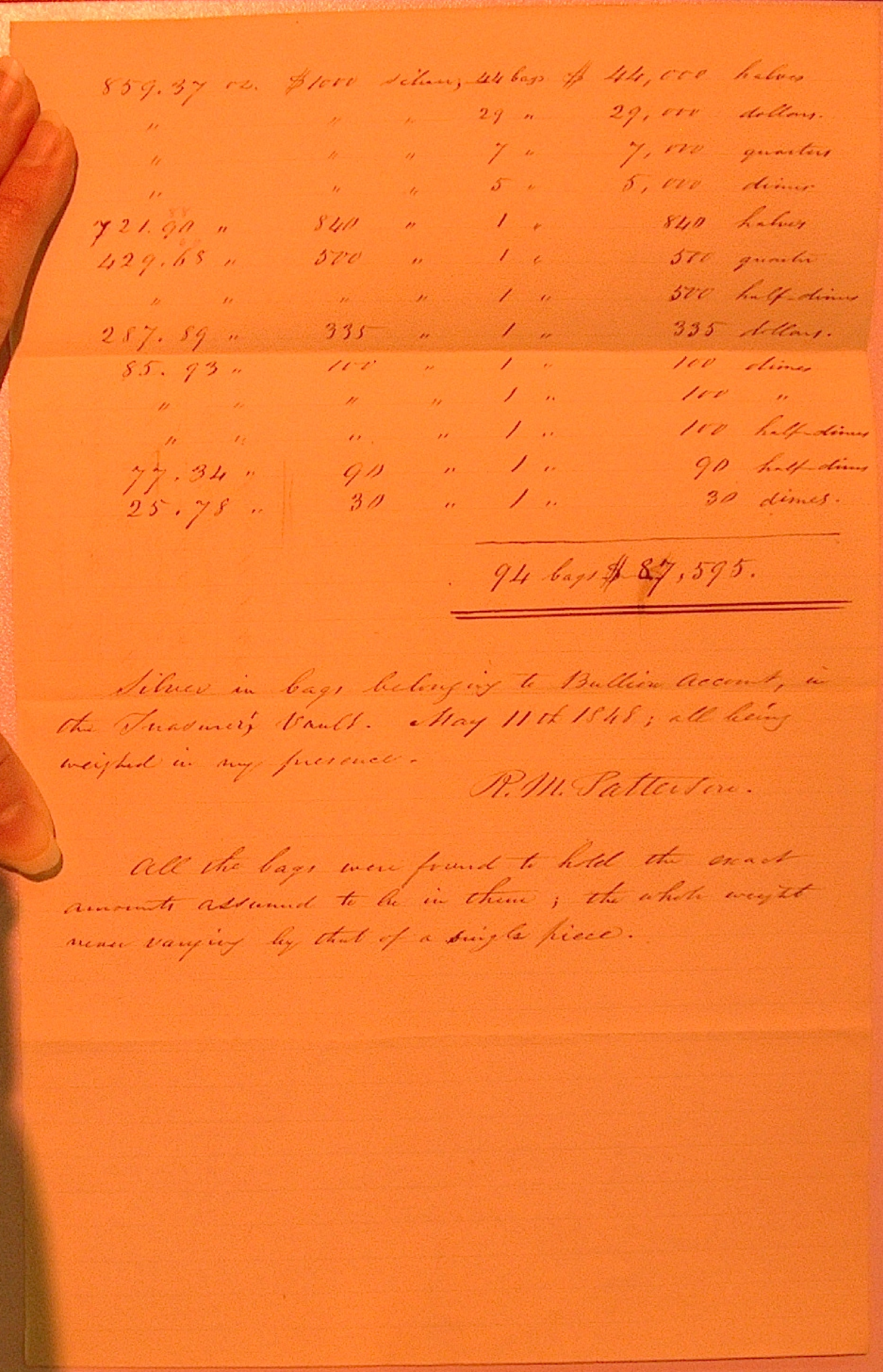
Mint of the U. S.
May 12, 1845.

Sir,

I send enclosed receipts & Memorandums of your two deposits of the 8th & 10th inst. The coins, in the several denominations indicated in your letters, are ready, & will be paid to your order.

R. M. P.
D.

To/
J. M. Dodd, Esqr,
No. 72 State St.,
Boston.



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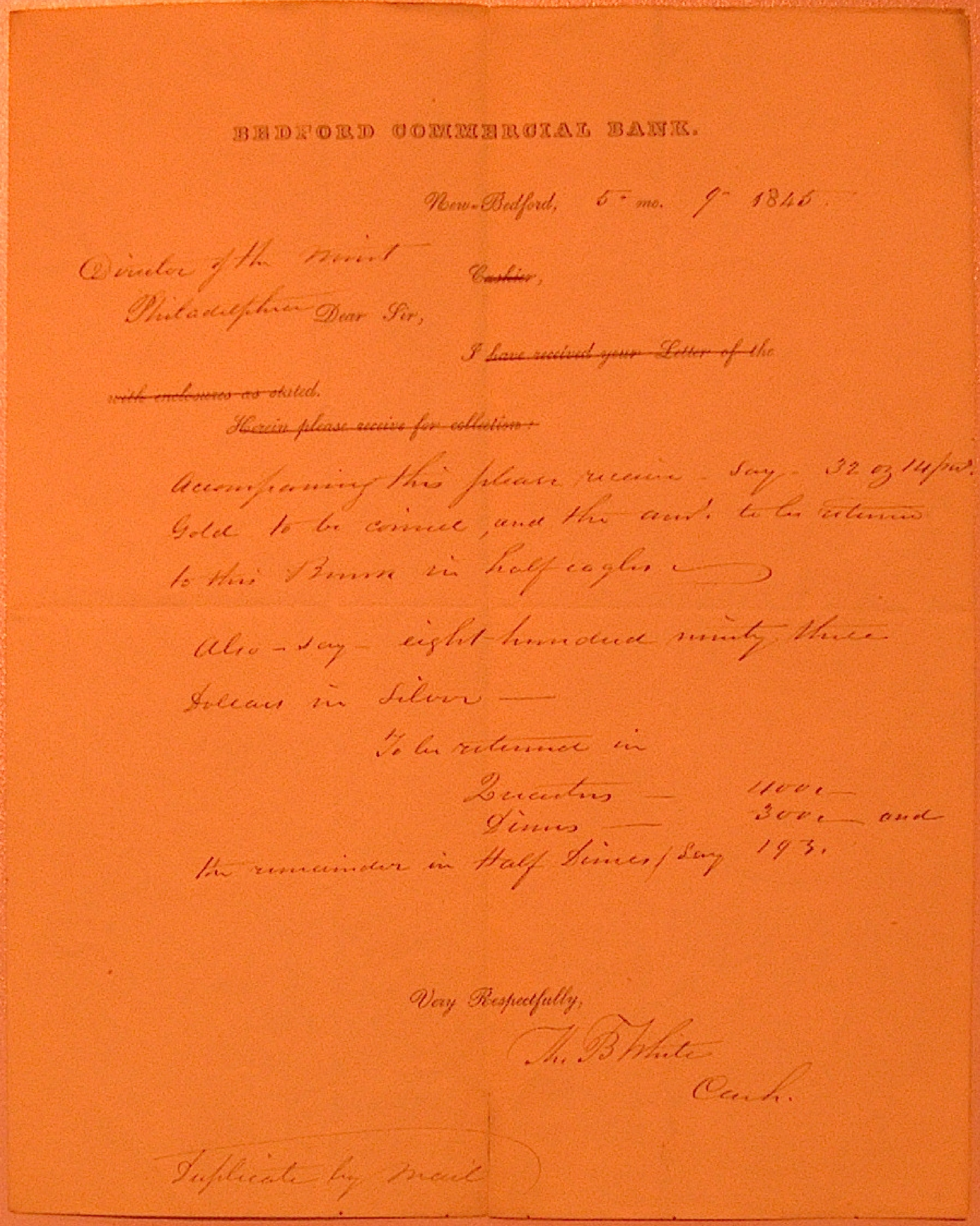
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 859.37 oz. | $1000 silver, | 44 bags | $ 44,000 | halves |
| " | " " | 29 " | 29,000 | dollars. |
| " | " " | 7 " | 7,000 | quarters |
| " | " " | 5 " | 5,000 | dimes |
| 721.90 " | 840 " | 1 " | 840 | halves |
| 429.68 " | 500 " | 1 " | 500 | quarters |
| " " | " " | 1 " | 500 | half-dimes |
| 287.89 " | 335 " | 1 " | 335 | dollars. |
| 85.93 " | 100 " | 1 " | 100 | dimes |
| " " | " " | 1 " | 100 | " |
| " " | " " | 1 " | 100 | half-dimes |
| 77.34 " | 90 " | 1 " | 90 | half-dimes |
| 25.78 " | 30 " | 1 " | 30 | dimes. |
| | | 94 bags | $87,595. | |

Silver in bags belonging to Bullion Account, in the Treasurer's Vault. May 11th 1848; all being weighed in my presence.

R. M. Patterson.

All the bags were found to hold the exact amounts assumed to be in them; the whole weight never varying by that of a single piece.



BEDFORD COMMERCIAL BANK.

New-Bedford, 5 mo. 9 1846

Director of the Mint
Philadelphia
~~Cashier~~,
Dear Sir,

I ~~have received your Letter of the~~

~~with enclosures as stated.~~

~~Herein please receive for collection.~~

Accompanying this please receive - say - 32 oz 14 pwt. Gold to be coined, and the amt. to be returned to this Bank in half eagles —

Also - say - eight hundred ninety three Dollars in Silver —

To be returned in

Quarters — 1100
Dimes — 300 and
the remainder in Half Dimes, say 193.

Very Respectfully,

Th. B White
Cash.

Duplicate by mail

(Copy.)

Coast Survey Station.
near Taunton, Mass.
May 9, 1845.

My dear Sir,

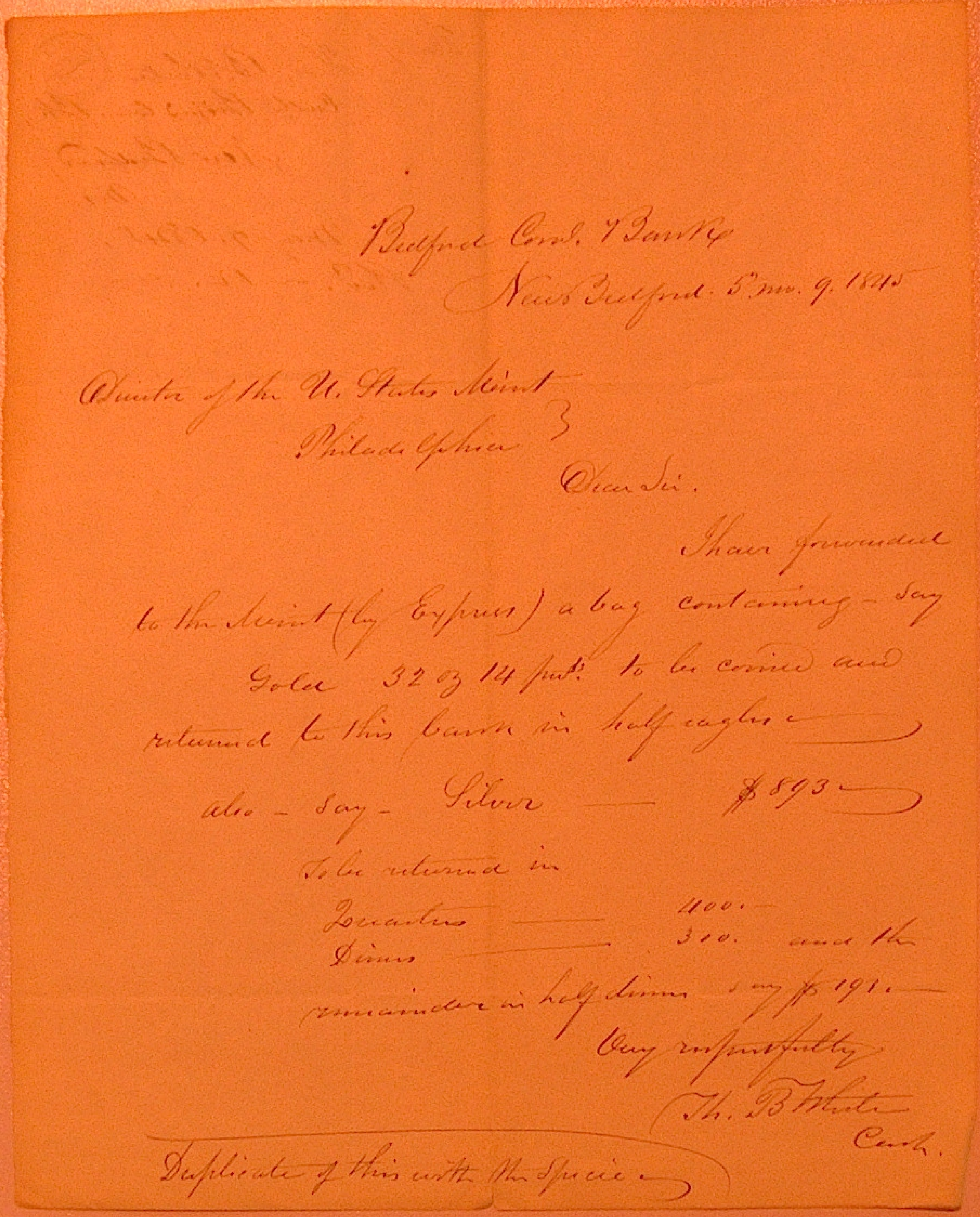
I learn from Dr. Patterson, Director of the Mint, that he is about to apply through you, for the appointment of his son, Robert Patterson Esq., as his private and confidential clerk in the Mint. The standing of this gentleman in Philadelphia is such as to render him in every way worthy of your recommendation. He has been carefully educated, has excellent talents and judgment, and would no doubt have taken a high stand at the bar of Philadelphia when he had commenced to practise, had not partial deafness closed this career to him. His qualifications may be summed up in few words to one who knows his father as well as you do, by saying that he is in every way worthy of him, and of the care which

(he

he has bestowed upon his education. You cannot represent too strongly to the President the merits of Mr Patterson

Yours truly & respectfully
(Signed) Alex. D. Bache

Hon. R. J. Walker
Sec. Treas. &c.



Bedford Comml. Bank
New Bedford 5 mo. 9. 1845

Director of the U. States Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir.

I have forwarded to the Mint (by Express) a bag containing — say Gold 32 oz 14 pwt. to be coined and returned to this bank in half eagles —

also — say — Silver — $893 —

To be returned in

Quarters — 400 —
Dimes — 310. and the remainder in half dimes say $191 —

Very respectfully
Th. B White
Cash.

Duplicate of this with the Specie —

Coast Survey Station near Taunton Mass.

May 9. 1845

Dear Doct

Yours of the 7th reached me this morning, & I enclose the letter to Mr. Walker, wishing that I had had the opportunity to talk the matter over with him at a Sunday dinner when I could have said many more things about Robert & would have enlisted all the ladies on his side. I trust & expect, however, that you will find no bar in the way.

I reached here in time to observe the eclipse of Tuesday morning, & obtained several measures of the diff. polar distances of the cusps & several chords.

Yesterday it rained until noon & then driving clouds interfered. Towards the middle of the transit however the sky cleared partially & I obtained seven good sets of transits of the two limbs of the sun, & of a limb or of the center of the planet, over seven vertical wires. The ~~con~~ last ~~contacts~~ could not be accurately observed from the last internal contact

the jagged appearance of the limb. Before the really occurred, or it appeared to me, the planet's disk which for some time had swelled & contracted irregularly, stretched out towards the edge of the Sun looking like a shuttlecock in shape.

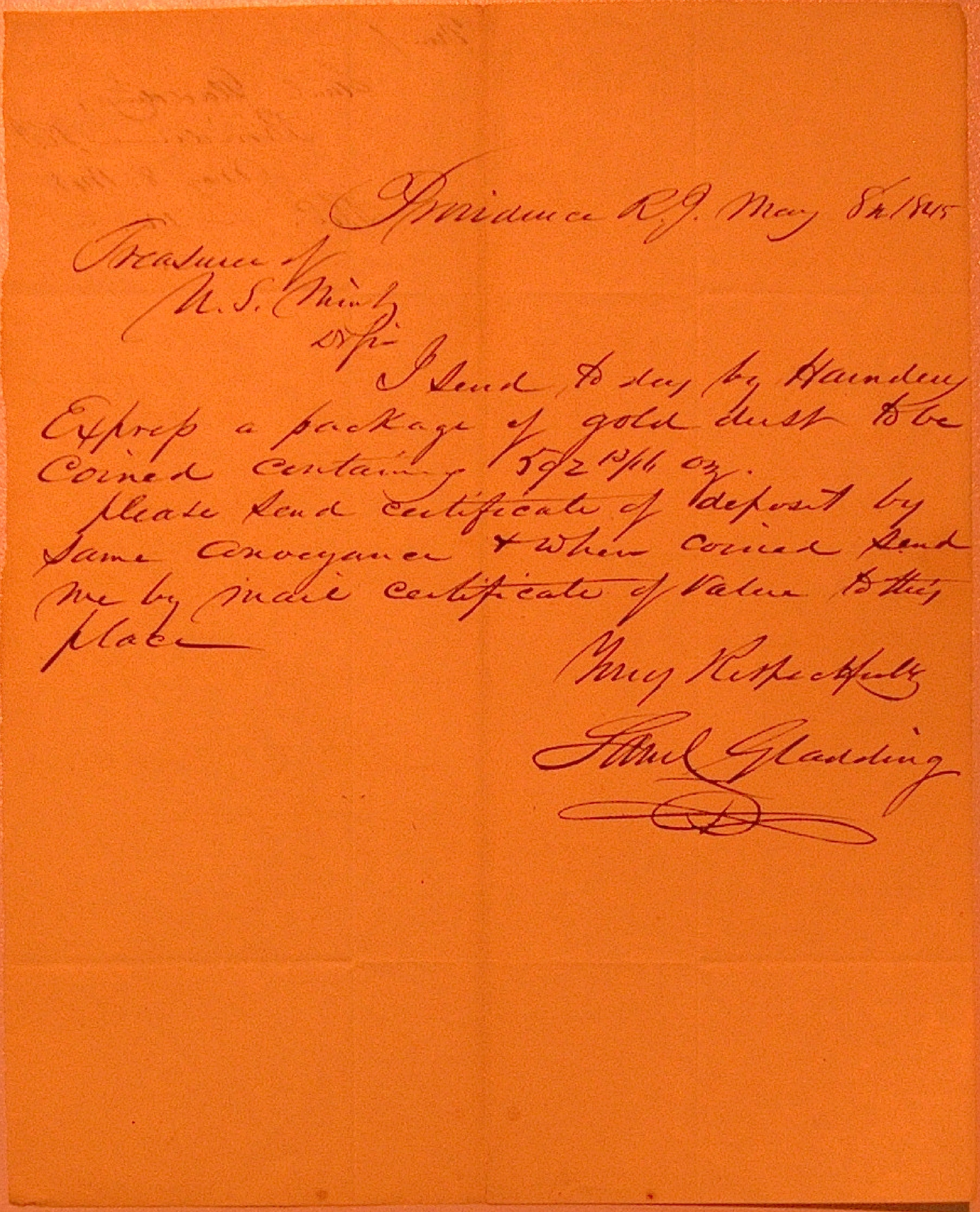
I shall try to get the occultation of χ² Piscium tonight. We have a transit instrument for time, & two chronometers.

The weather is still like November here & the buds of the forest trees just beginning to swell. I cannot divine how the birds know that it is Spring — but they do. Last night there was a hard frost & the valleys & waters have smoked this morning like so many cauldrons.

Even to be remembered [illegible]! It gives me a new lease of life to be with you! Love to the four.

Ever yours truly A. D. Bache.

Doct. R. M. Patterson.

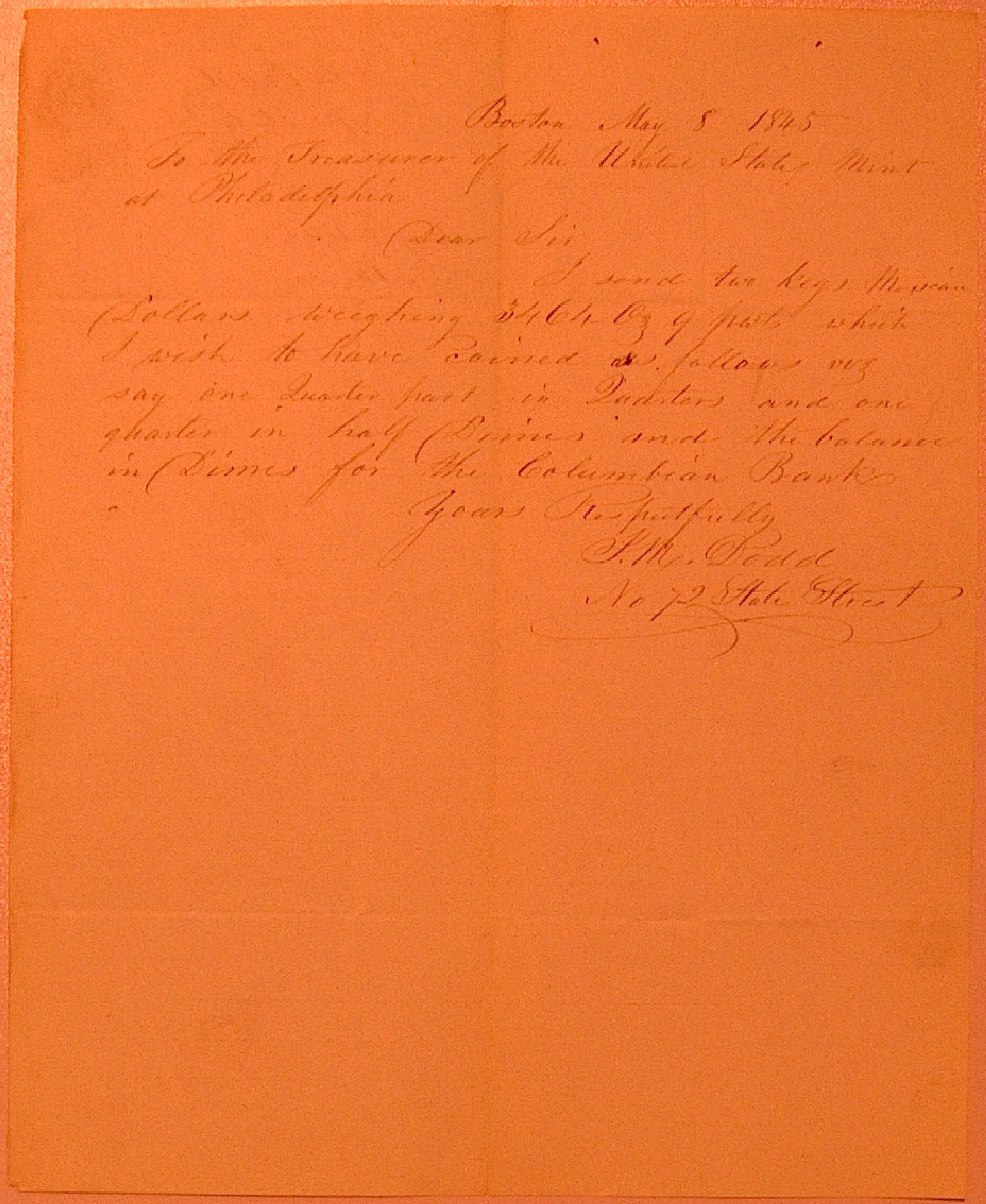


Providence R.I. May 8th 1845

Treasurer of
U.S. Mint
Sir

I send to day by Harnden
Expreſs a package of gold dust to be
Coined containing 592 13/16 oz
please send certificate of deposit by
same conveyance & when coined send
me by mail certificate of value to this
place —

Very Respectfully
Saml Gladding



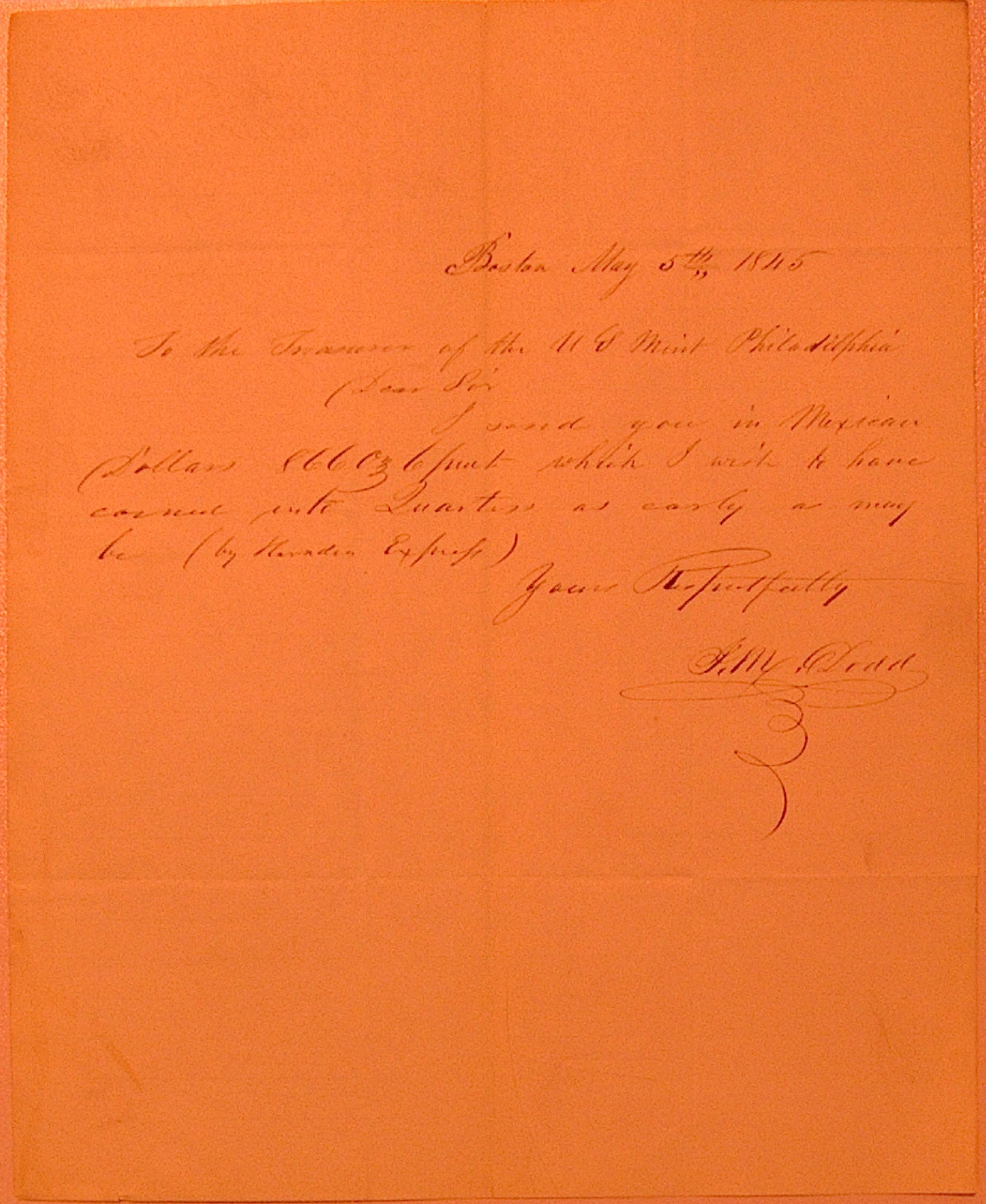
Boston May 8 1845

To the Treasurer of the United States Mint
at Philadelphia

Dear Sir

I send two kegs Mexican Dollars weighing 3464 Oz 9 parts which I wish to have coined as follows viz say one Quarter part in Quarters and one quarter in half Dimes and the balance in Dimes for the Columbian Bank

Yours Respectfully
S. M. Dodd
No 72 State Street



Boston May 5th 1845

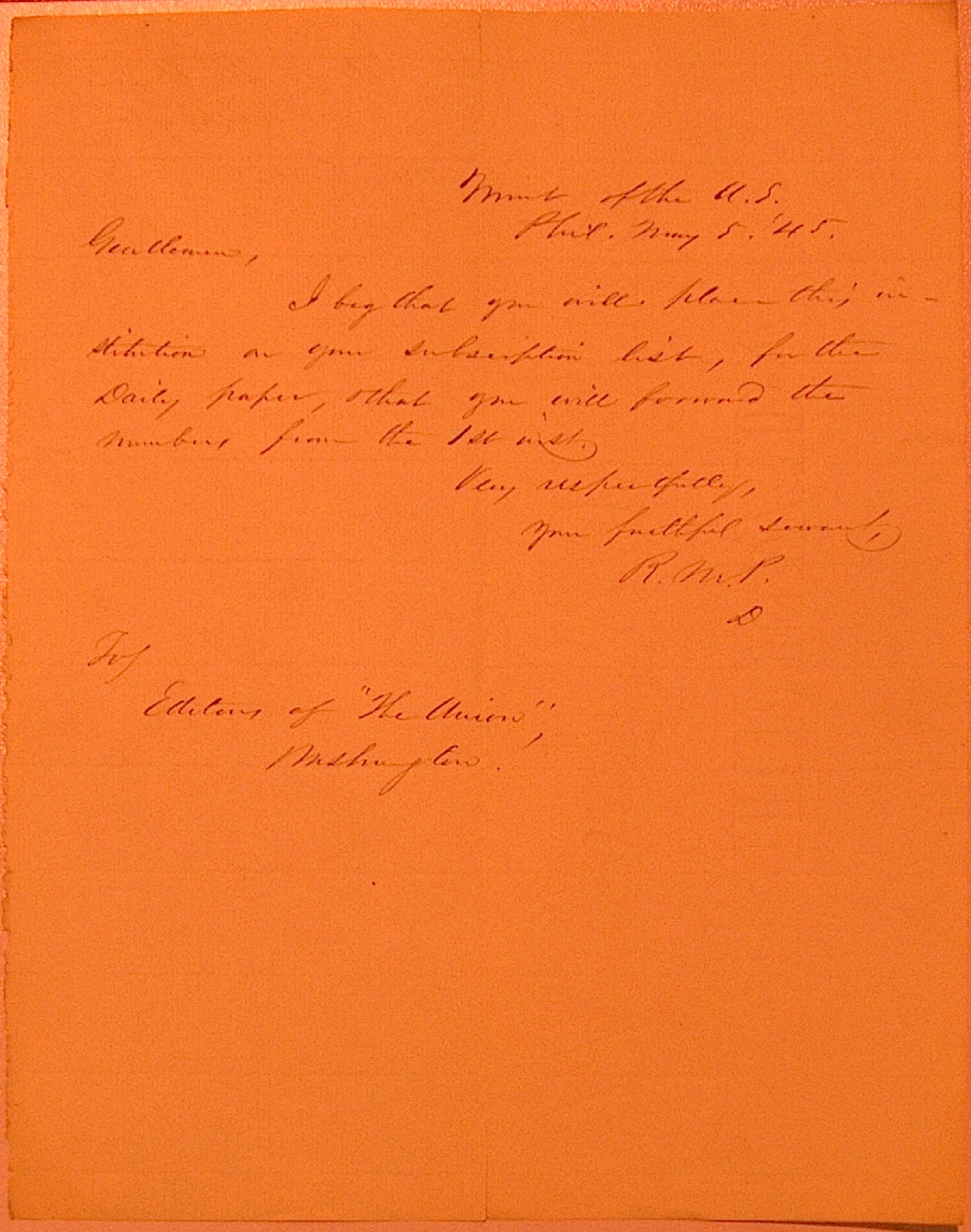
To the Treasurer of the U S Mint Philadelphia

Dear Sir

I send you in Mexican Dollars 866 Oz 6 pwt which I wish to have coined into Quarters as early as may be (by Harnden Express)

Yours Respectfully

F.M. Dodd



Mint of the U.S.
Phil. May 5. '45.

Gentlemen,

I beg that you will place this institution on your subscription list, for the Daily paper, & that you will forward the numbers from the 1st inst.

Very respectfully,
your faithful servant,
R. M. P.
D

To
Editors of "The Union",
Washington.

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, June 30th 1845.

Sir,

I forward you, herewith, the quarterly statement, as a Depositary of the public moneys, ending this day.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

(Signed)
Isaac Roach
Treasurer

To/ Wm. Selden Esq.
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington

Memorandum of Gold Bullion Sent to US Mint Phila by Col R. W. Pulliam of Tennessee June 23rd 1845

| | | | Dwts |
|---|---|---|---|
| No | 1 | N. W. Woodfin &c | 500 |
| | 2 | T. Humphries | 360 |
| | 3 | W. F. McKisson | 673 |
| | 4 | " " | 553 |
| | 5 | N. Roland & others | 170 |
| | 6 | P. Rice | 1,258 |
| | 7 | J. Baldridge | 625 |
| | 8 | G. F. Taylor | 251 |
| | 9 | K. P. Hill | 127 |
| | 10 | W. H. Bryson | 195 |
| | 11 | W. H. Roland | 600 |
| | 12 | " " " | 187 |
| | 13 | T. E. Satterwhite | 625 |
| | 14 | J. D. Lytle | 218 |
| | 15 | G. W. Glass | 141 |
| | 16 | John Glass | 401 |
| | 17 | W. F. McKisson | 467 |
| | 18 | " " " | 605 |
| | 19 | J. H. Forney | 3493 |
| | 20 | J. Patterson | 376 |
| | 21 | G. F. Taylor | 393 |
| | 22 | R. C. Pearson | 12042 |
| | | | 1296 |
| | | | 20) 13288 |
| | | | 664 |

B. C. F. Br at Asheville June 23rd 1845

R. M. Patterson Esqr

Dear Sir I this day forward you by Col W. W. Pulliam Twenty one parcels of Gold Bullion for coinage, you will please send me Statements by Mail, made out as heretofore

Very Respectfully
your obt Servt
J. F. E. Hardy Cash

P.S. Please have all the different parcels for W. F. McKesson put together for assay
J. F. E. H.

No 22 has been added since this was written

Mo. —

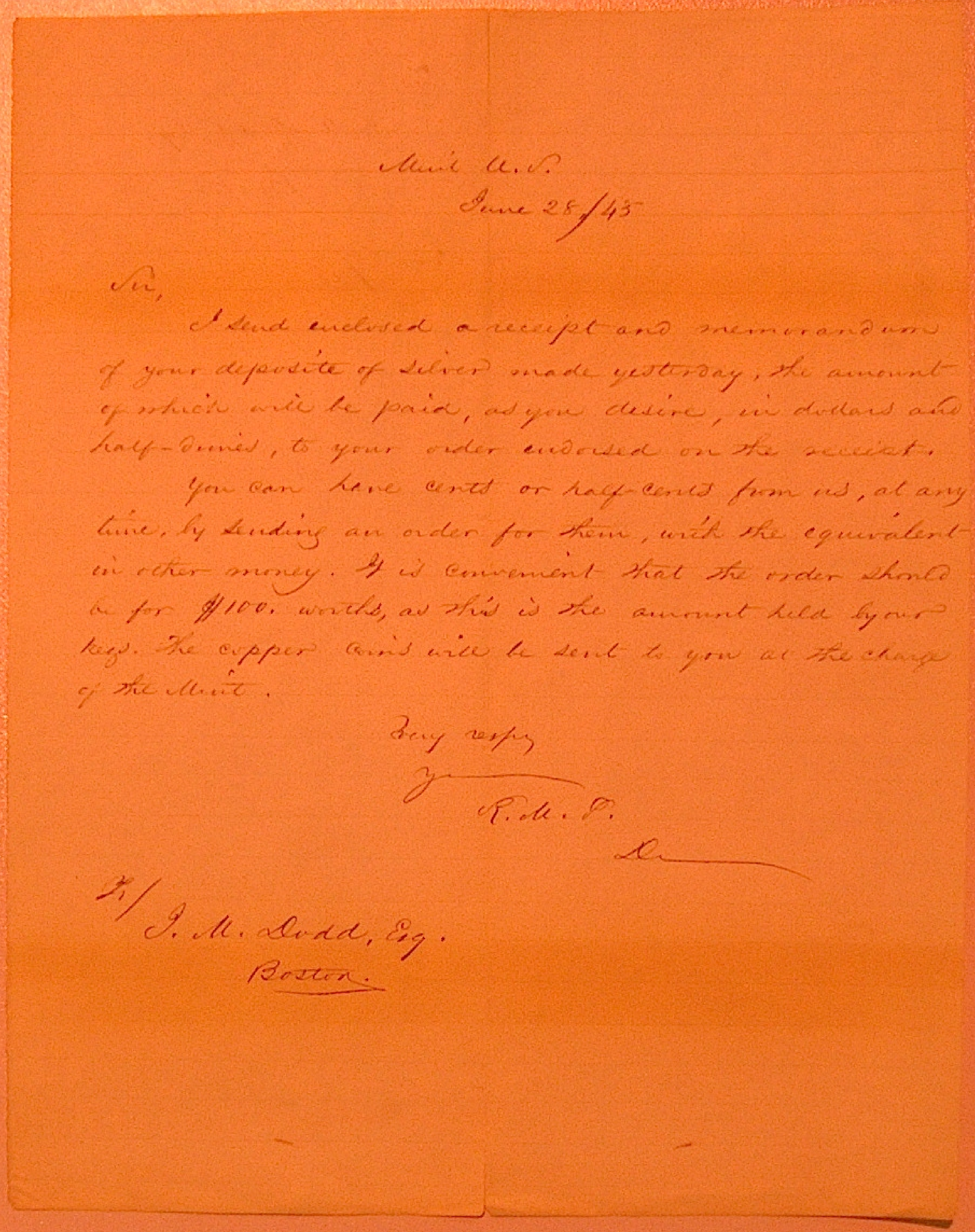
Treasurer's Office June 28, 1845

Sir,

I herewith forward you the weekly statement ending this day as a Depository of the public money.

Very resp.
Your Obt Servt
(Signed) J. Roach
Treas.

To Wm. Selden Esq.
Treas. U.S.
Washington



Mint U.S.
June 28/45

Sir,

I send enclosed a receipt and memorandum of your deposite of silver made yesterday, the amount of which will be paid, as you desire, in dollars and half-Dimes, to your order endorsed on the receipt.

You can have cents or half-cents from us, at any time, by sending an order for them, with the equivalent in other money. It is convenient that the order should be for $100. worth, as this is the amount held by our kegs. The copper coins will be sent to you at the charge of the Mint.

Very respy
Yours
R. M. P.
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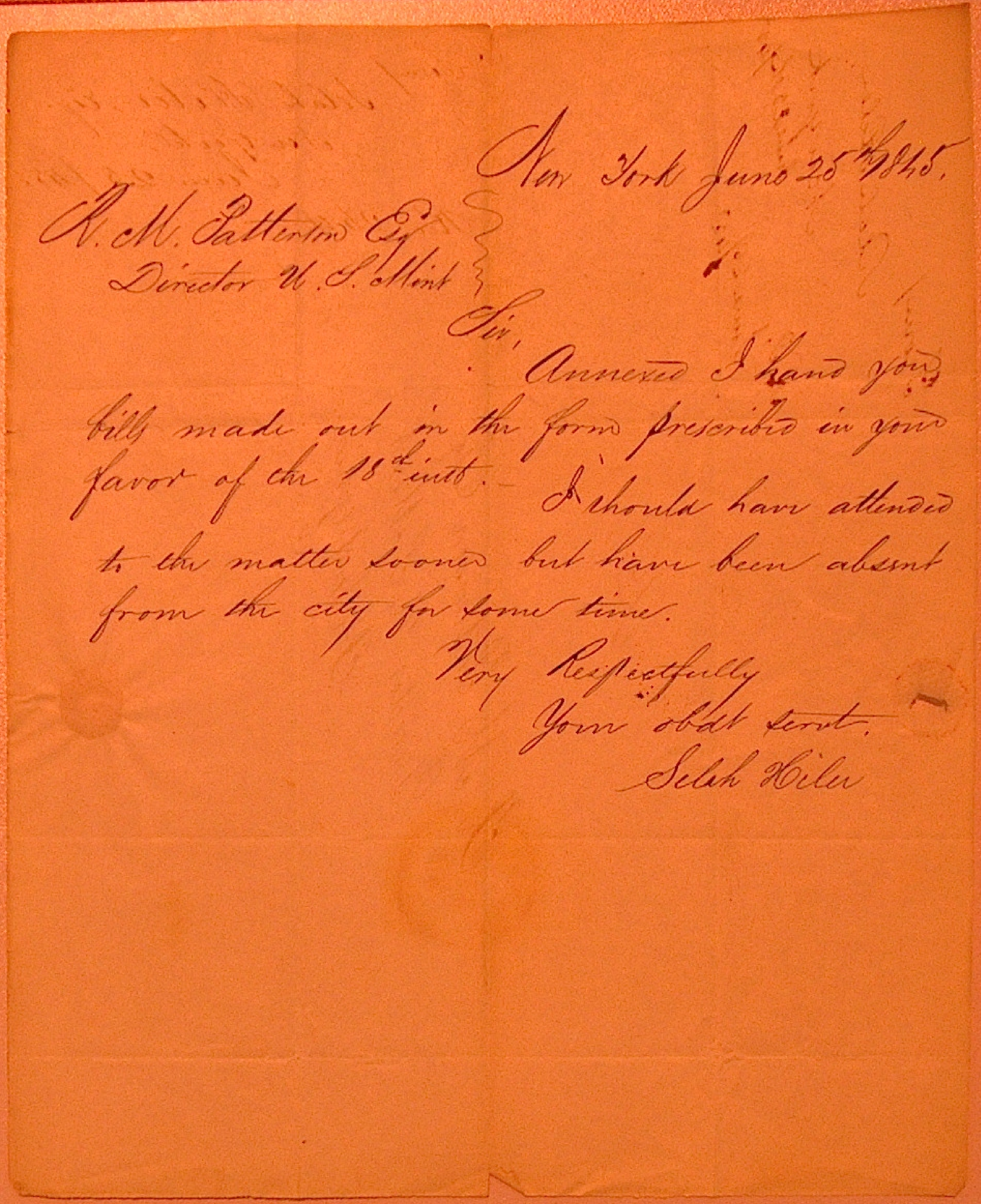
To/
J. M. Dodd, Esq.
Boston.



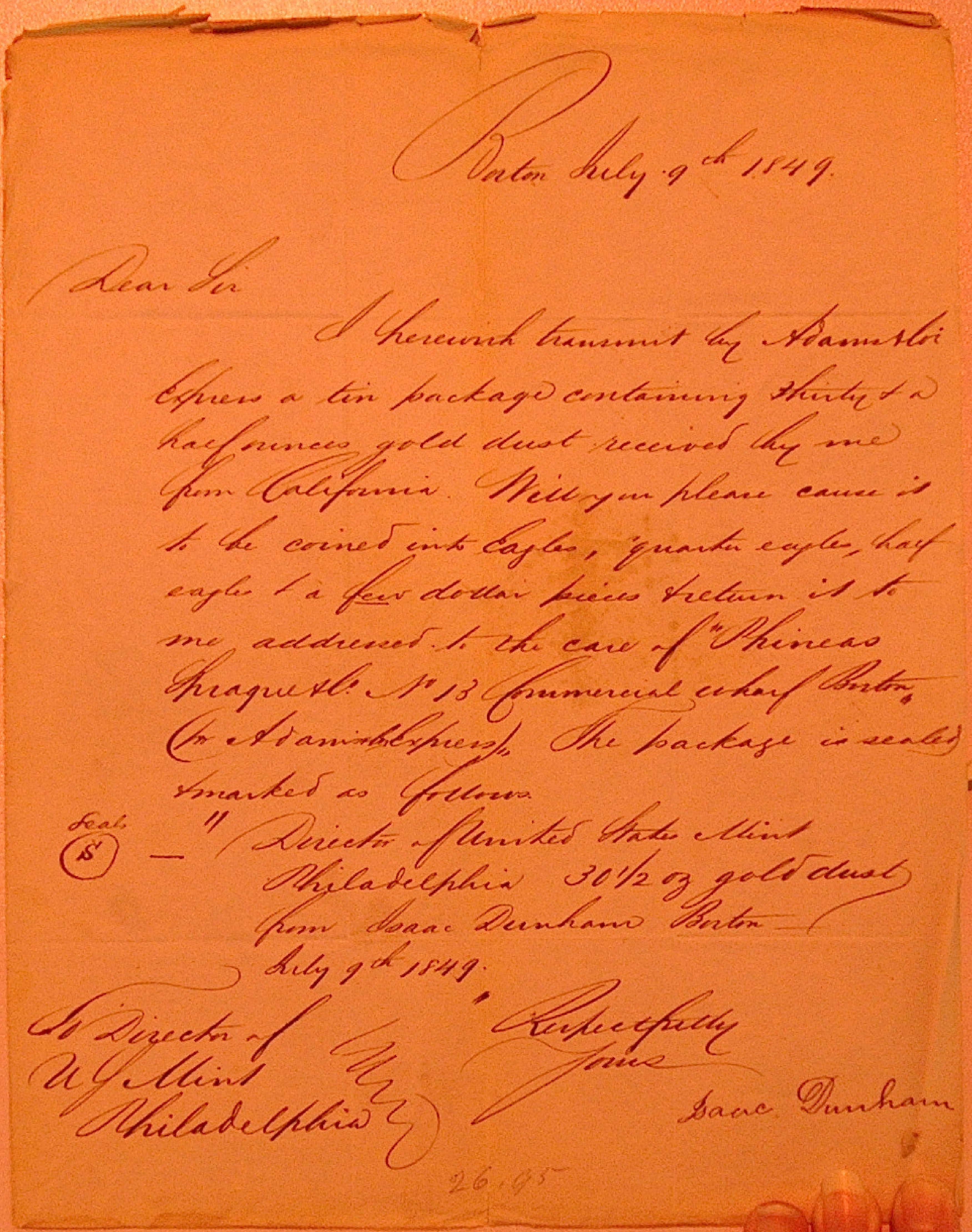
New York June 25th 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director U. S. Mint

Sir,

Annexed I hand you bills made out in the form prescribed in your favor of the 18th inst. I should have attended to the matter sooner but have been absent from the city for some time.

Very Respectfully
Your obdt servt.
Selah Hiler



Boston July 9th 1849.

Dear Sir

I herewith transmit by Adams & Co's Express a tin package containing thirty & a half ounces gold dust received by me from California. Will you please cause it to be coined into Eagles, quarter eagles, half eagles & a few dollar pieces & return it to me addressed to the care of Mr Phineas Sprague & Co. No 13 Commercial wharf Boston, (pr Adams & Co Express). The package is sealed & marked as follows.

Seal

(S) — "Director of United States Mint
Philadelphia 30 1/2 oz gold dust
from Isaac Dunham Boston
July 9th 1849."

To Director of
U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Respectfully
Yours
Isaac Dunham

26.95

To the commissioner of the Philladelphia Mint

Dr Sir

As Gold appears to be mans idle. Knowing that very frequently Gold was held in combination with Iron Pyrites. I have concluded to send you a specimen that appears to contain Gold. The pyrites being decomposed by the action of the Atmosphere leaves some particles on the reddish ground that looks like Gold, which you will much oblige me by giving it an examination reporting by the earliest possible opportunity. This Pyrites, is from the Brake of a tremendous Mountain, where the rocks all around shew very clearly igneous action. I have examined a great many Iron pyrites but none exactly like this

Your attention will much oblige
Your friend & humble servant

Woodstock July 9th 1849
Shenandoah County
Virginia

John Jaskoe

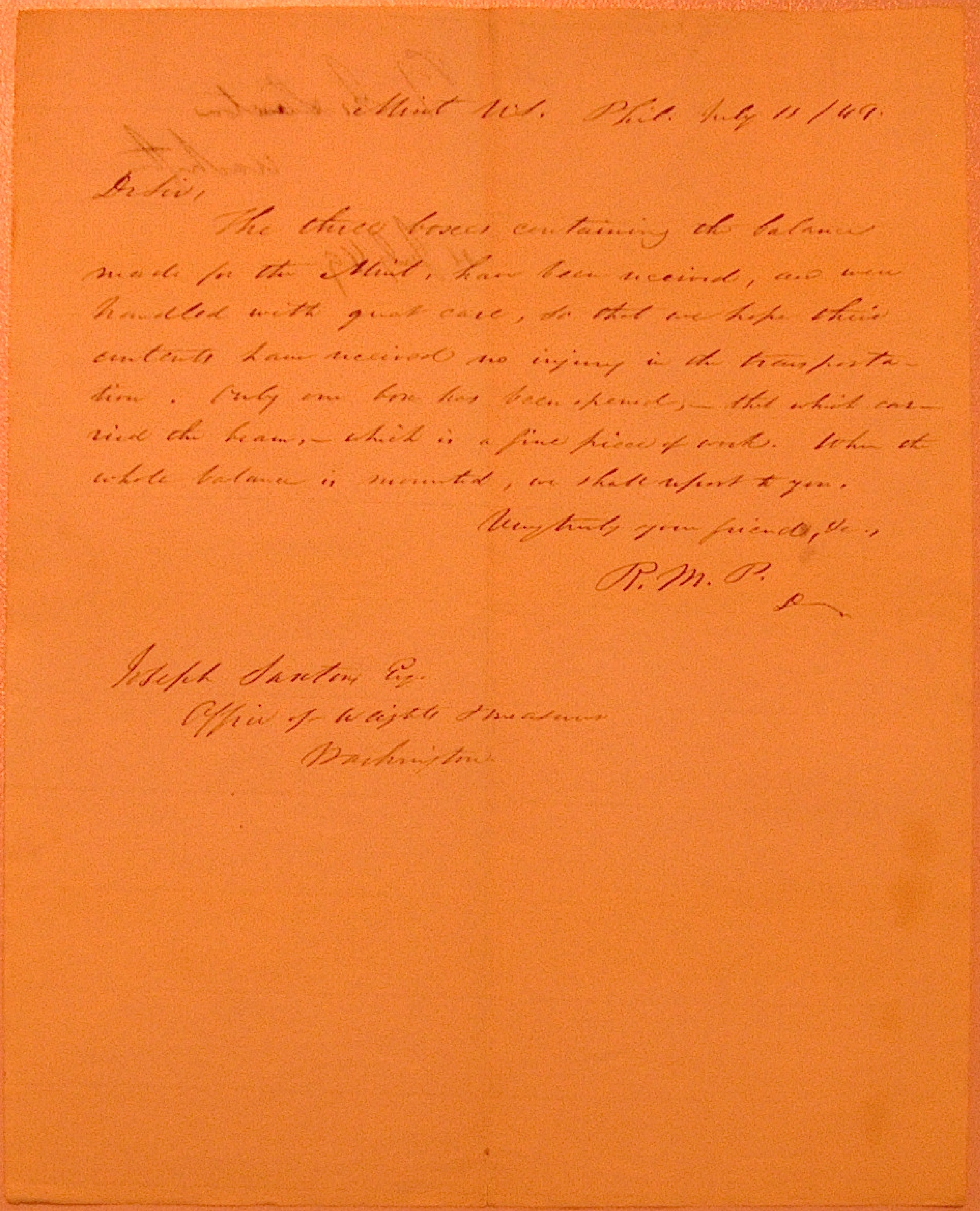
16 Wall st,
New York, July 9/49

Col J Ross Snowden.

Dear Sir

I telegraphed you to-day that Gov Young declined passing the drafts until to-morrow morning at 8 O'Clock. His reasons for which were that he did not consider it safe to transmit so large an amount of money to arrive in Phila at night. I reminded him of the custom of his predecessor, but he said he had been expecting special instructions from the Secretary of the Treasury with regard to the transmission of specie to the Mint, but that he had not heard from him respecting it. I shall leave here to-morrow morning with $150.000. leaving the other 150 to come in the afternoon. On arrival at Phila I will come direct to mint with the coin.

Yours respectfully
George Morton



Mint U.S. Phil. July 11 / 49.

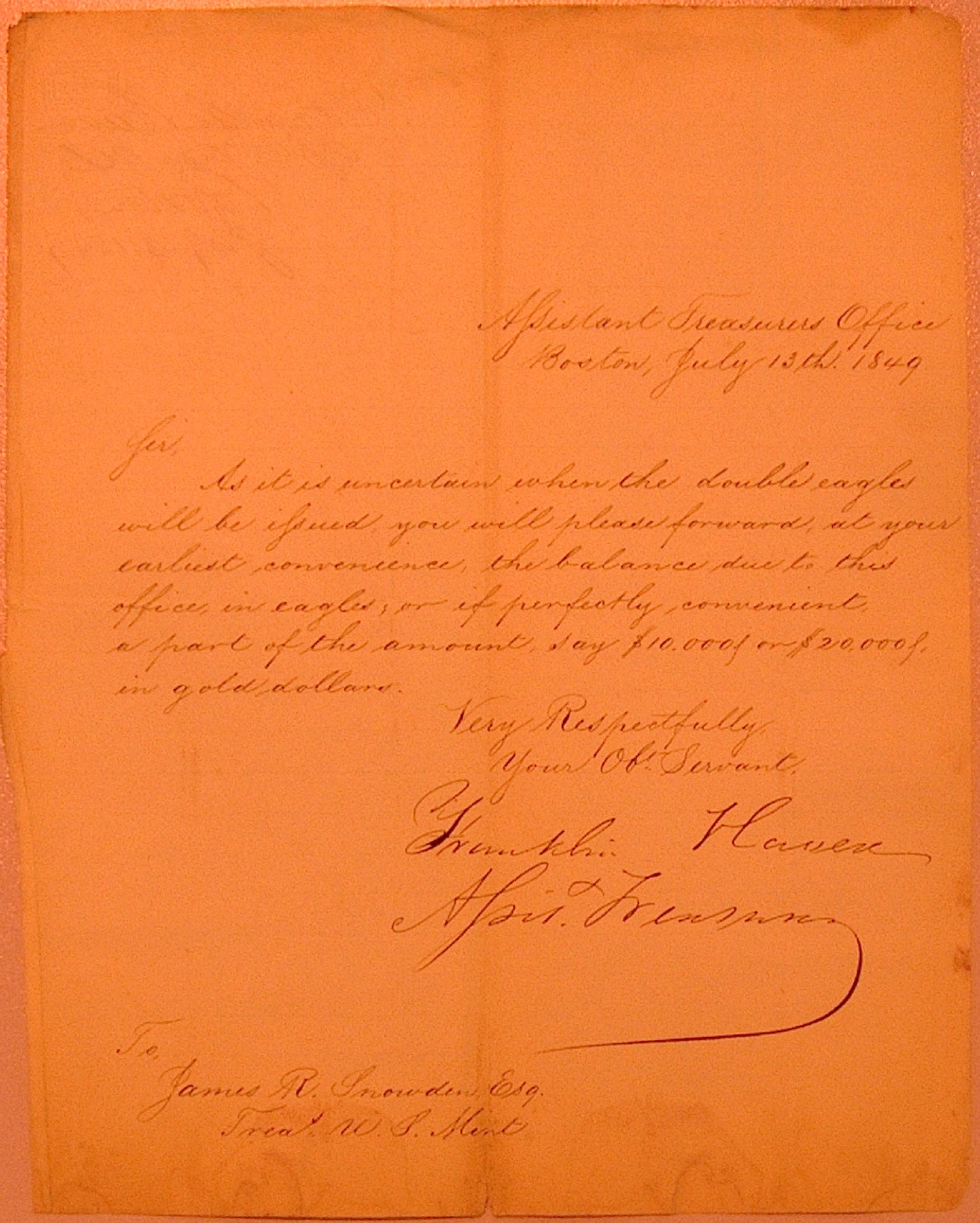
Dr Sir,

The three boxes containing the balance made for the Mint, have been received, and were handled with great care, so that we hope their contents have received no injury in the transportation. Only one box has been opened,— that which carried the beam,— which is a fine piece of work. When the whole balance is mounted, we shall report to you.

Very truly your friend, &c.,

R. M. P.

Joseph Saxton Esq.
Office of Weights & Measures
Washington



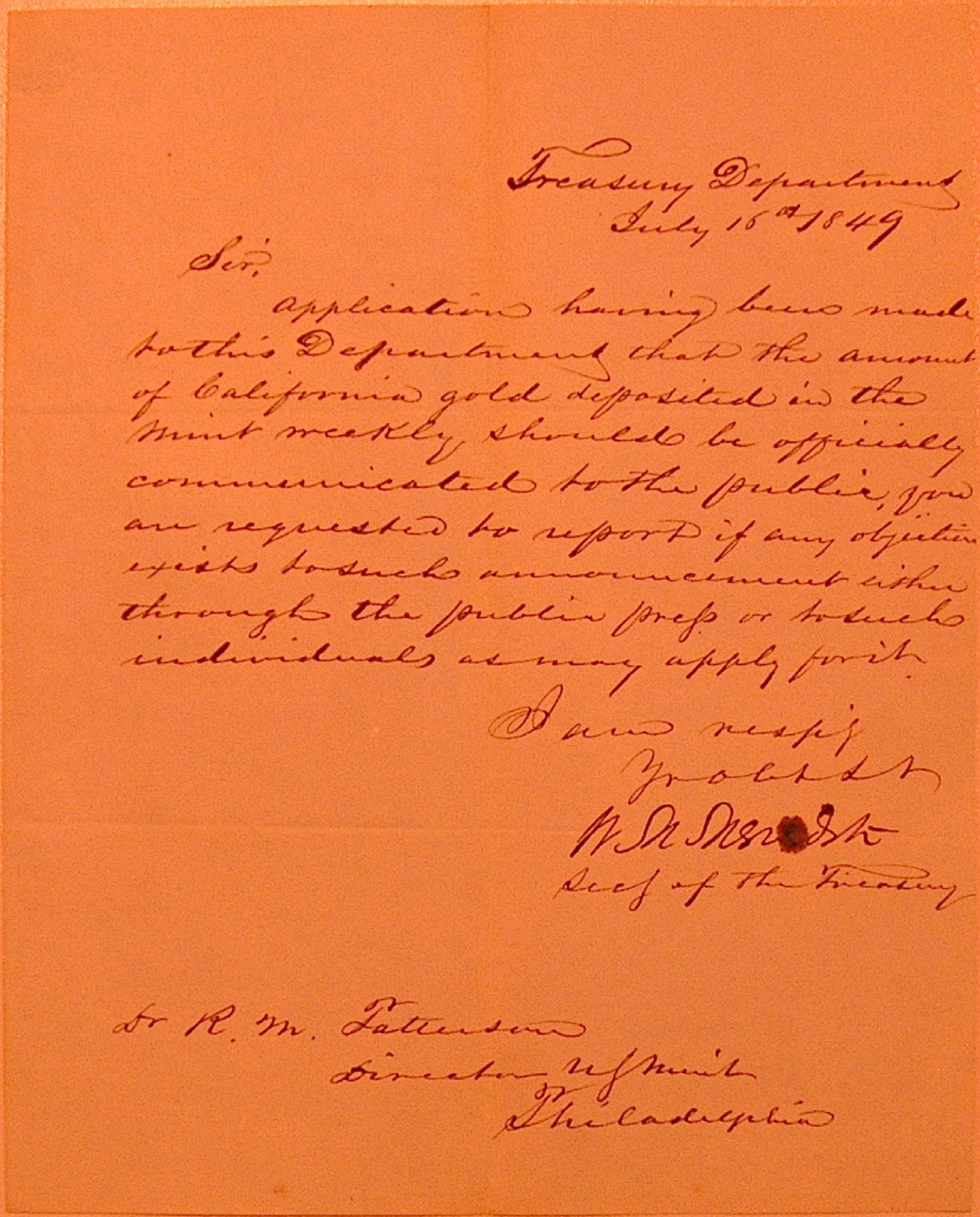
Aſsistant Treasurers Office
Boston, July 13th. 1849

Sir,

As it is uncertain when the double eagles will be iſsued, you will please forward, at your earliest convenience, the balance due to this office, in eagles; or if perfectly convenient, a part of the amount, say $10.000, or $20.000, in gold dollars.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant,
Franklin Haven
Aſsist. Treasurer

To,
James R. Snowden Esq.
Treat. U. S. Mint



Treasury Department
July 16th 1849

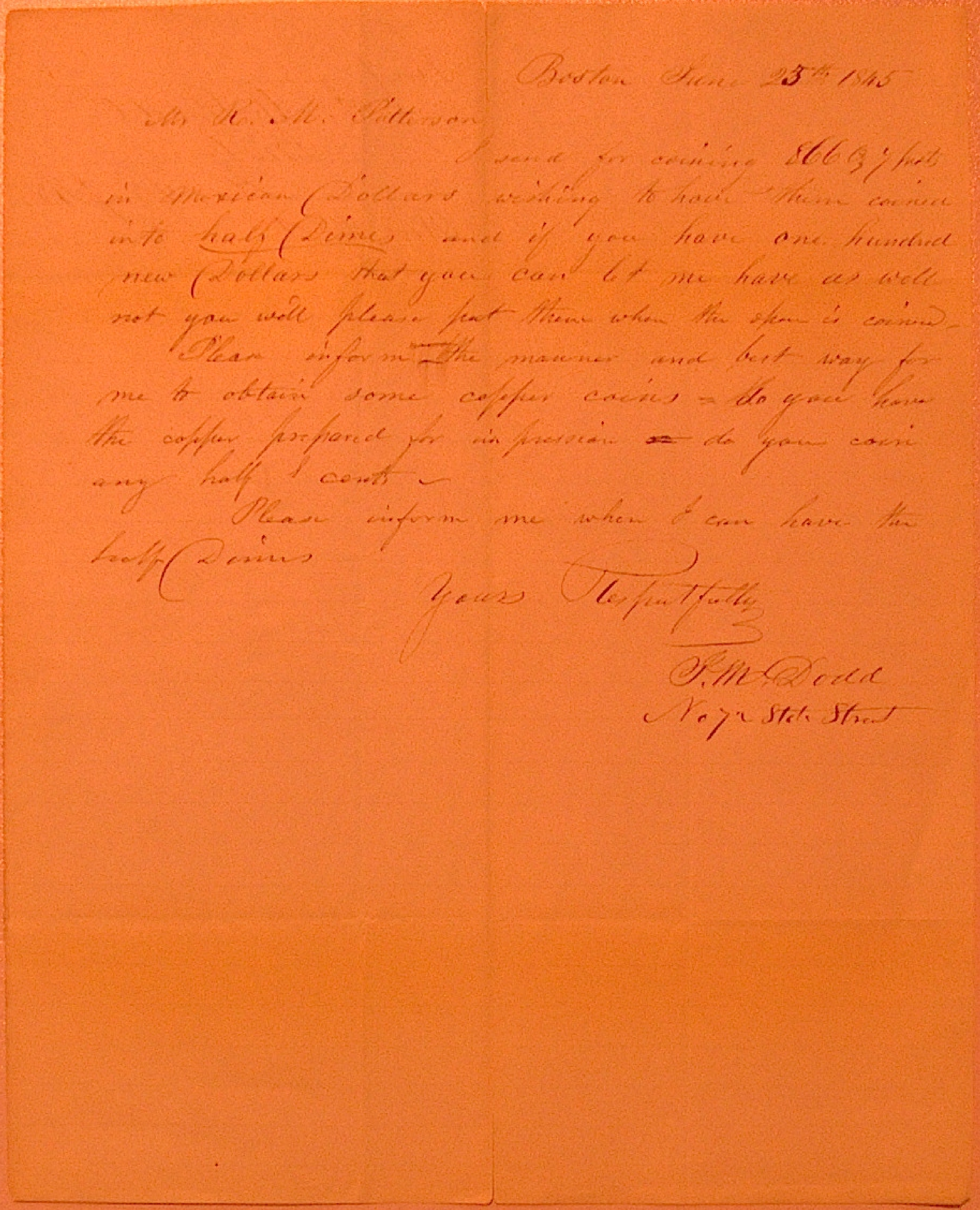
Sir,

Application having been made to this Department that the amount of California gold deposited in the Mint weekly should be officially communicated to the public, you are requested to report if any objection exists to such announcement either through the public press or to such individuals as may apply for it.

I am resp'y
Yr obt St

W. M. Mer[illegible]th
Secy of the Treasury

Dr R. M. Patterson
Director U S Mint
Philadelphia



Boston June 23th 1845

Mr R. M. Patterson

I send for coining 866 ℥ 7 pwt in Mexican Dollars wishing to have them coined into half Dimes and if you have one hundred new Dollars that you can let me have as well not you will please put them when the spen is coined.

Pleas inform me the manner and best way for me to obtain some copper coins — do you have the copper prepared for impression — do you coin any half cents —

Pleas inform me when I can have the half Dimes

Yours Respectfully

F. M. Dodd
No 72 State Street

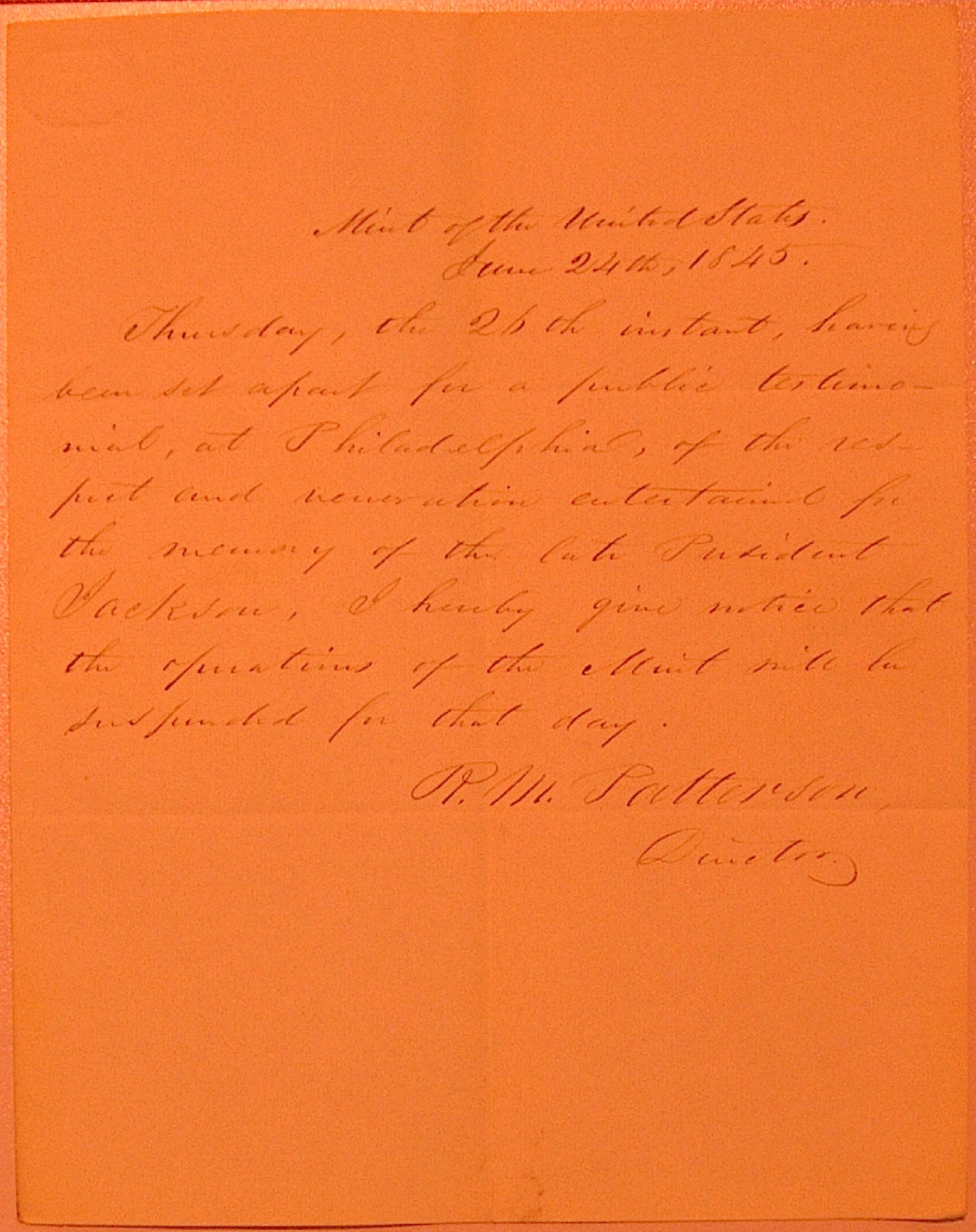
Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia June 24, 1845.

Sir,

I have this day received treasury transfer draft No. 175 in my favor on the Cashier of the Merchants Bank at Boston for One hundred thousand Dollars, payable at Philada on the 1st. August next in Mexican dollars or Silver bullion, which amount when received shall be placed to the credit of your account on the Books of this Institution in accordance with your instructions.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt
(Signed) Isaac Roach
Treasurer

To W. Selden Esq,
Treasr U. States



Mint of the United States.
June 24th, 1845.

Thursday, the 26th instant, having been set apart for a public testimonial, at Philadelphia, of the respect and veneration entertained for the memory of the late President Jackson, I hereby give notice that the operations of the Mint will be suspended for that day.

R. M. Patterson,
Director.

Mint U.S.

June 24/45

Gentlemen/

I comply with the request made in your letter of the 20th inst., by sending you the enclosed receipt and memorandum

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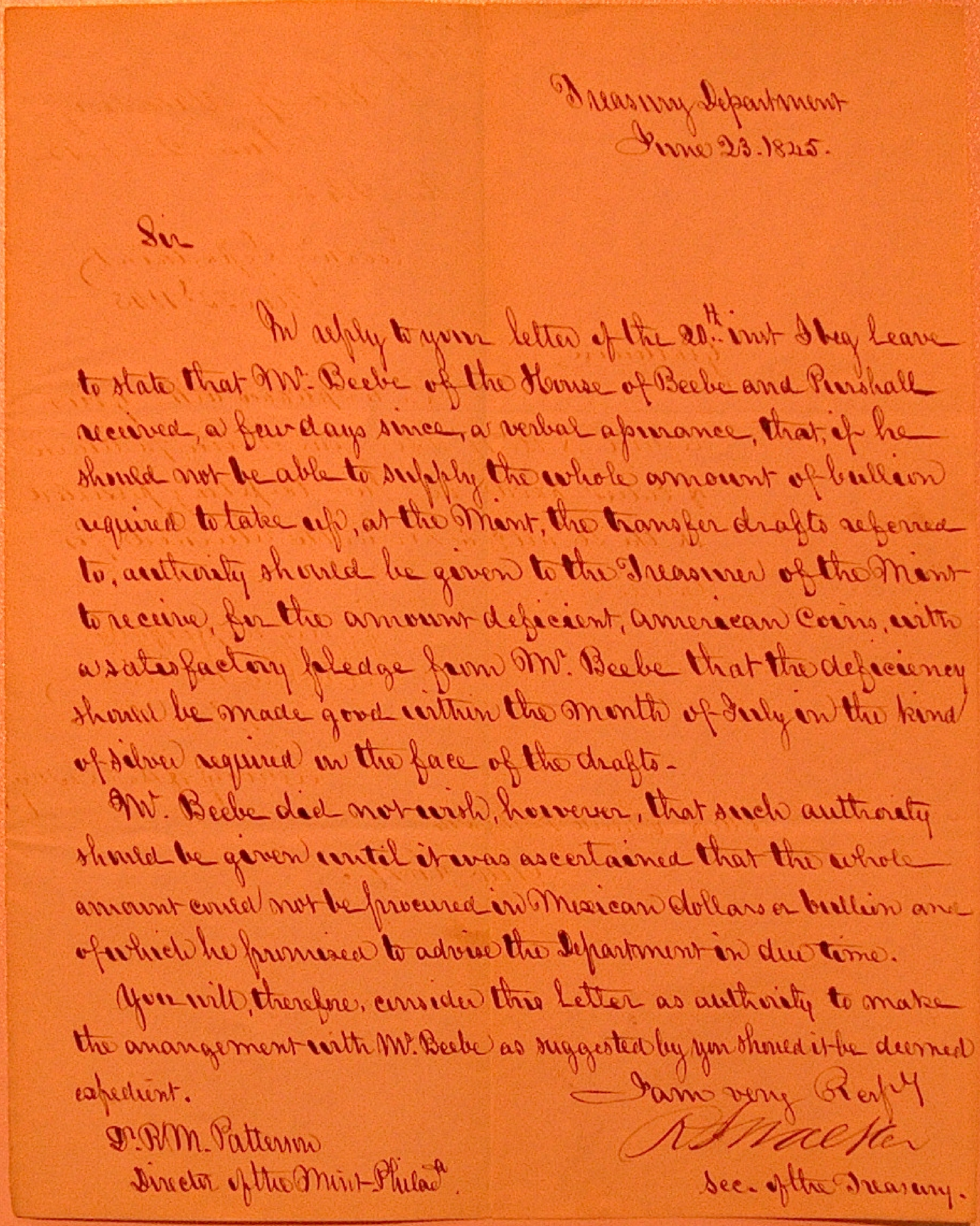
R.M.P.

To/

Mess. Birkhead & Pearce

Baltimore



Treasury Department
June 23. 1845.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 20th inst I beg leave to state that Mr. Beebe of the House of Beebe and Parshall received, a few days since, a verbal assurance, that, if he should not be able to supply the whole amount of bullion required to take up, at the Mint, the transfer drafts referred to, authority should be given to the Treasurer of the Mint to receive, for the amount deficient, American Coins, with a satisfactory pledge from Mr. Beebe that the deficiency should be made good within the Month of July in the kind of silver required on the face of the drafts.

Mr. Beebe did not wish, however, that such authority should be given until it was ascertained that the whole amount could not be procured in Mexican dollars or bullion and of which he promised to advise the Department in due time.

You will, therefore, consider this Letter as authority to make the arrangement with Mr. Beebe as suggested by you should it be deemed expedient.

I am very Respy
R J Walker
Sec. of the Treasury.

Dr. R.M. Patterson
Director of the Mint Philada.

Mint U.S., June 23/45.

Gentlemen,

On the 27th ult., a deposite of silver was made at the Mint, in the name of Richard D. Coon of New York, bought by your line, and left with us by your agent. Mr. Coon writes to me that he has never obtained the Mint receipt. Will you be good enough to enquire of Mr. Sanford whether he he has this receipt, and if not, what he did with it.

R

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R. M. P.

D

To/

Messrs. Adams & Co.

Mint U.S.
Philada. June 23/45

Dear Sir,

Allow me to call your attention to my letter of the 19th inst. Your compliance with the course which I pointed out is necessary in order to enable the Treasurer of the Mint to make a regular and unexceptionable settlement of his accounts for the present quarter

very respectfully
Your faithful servant
R. M. P.
D

To/
Selah Hiler, Esq
New York

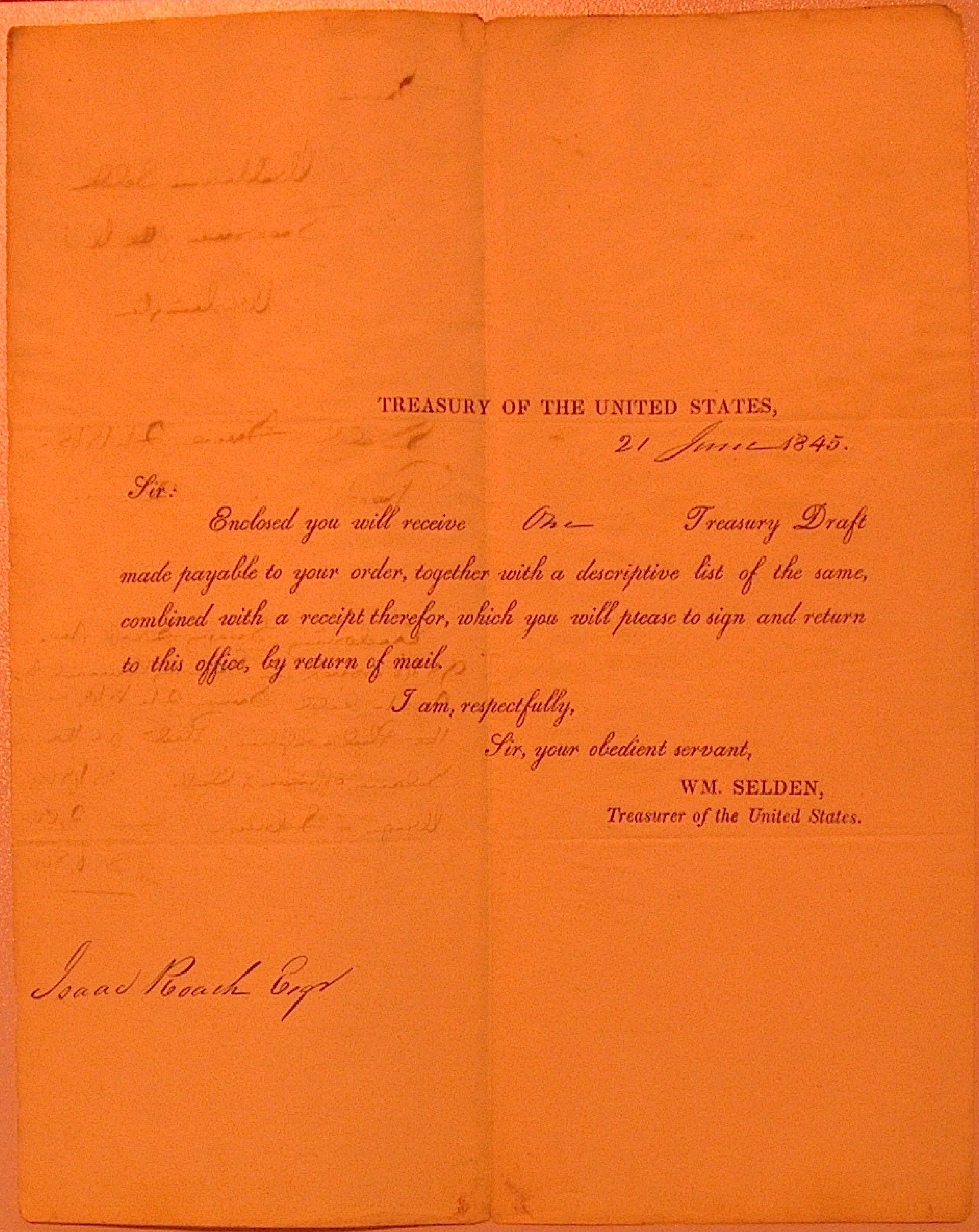
Mint of the U.S. States
Treasurer's Office, June 24, 1845

Sir,

I herewith forward you the "weekly statement" ending this day as a Depository of the public money.

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
(Signed)
I. Roach
Treas.

To/ Wm. Selden Esq.
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

21 June 1845.

*Sir:*

*Enclosed you will receive* One *Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.*

*I am, respectfully,*

*Sir, your obedient servant,*

WM. SELDEN,

*Treasurer of the United States.*

Isaac Roach Esqr

Treasury Department
June 21. 1845.

Sir

The Treasurer of the U States has been instructed to iſsue a transfer draft in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint on the Merchants Bank at Boston.

The draft is made payable at the Mint on the 1st of August next, in Mexican dollars or silver bullion and I will thank you to cause the amount to be coined in quarters of a dollar.

I remain very Respy
R J Walker
Sec. of the Treasury

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philada.

Treasury of the United States
June 26th 1845

Sir

Pd July 21/45 Enclosed you will receive One transfer Draft, Viz: No. 175. on the Merchants Bank at Boston, for $100,000 ,, payable at Philadelphia on the 1st of August next, in Mexican Dollars or silver bullion. Which sum be pleased to place to the credit of my Account on the Books of your Institution

I am respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Wm Selden
Treasurer U S

The Treasurer of the Mint
at Philadelphia

Mint of the United States
June 20th 1845

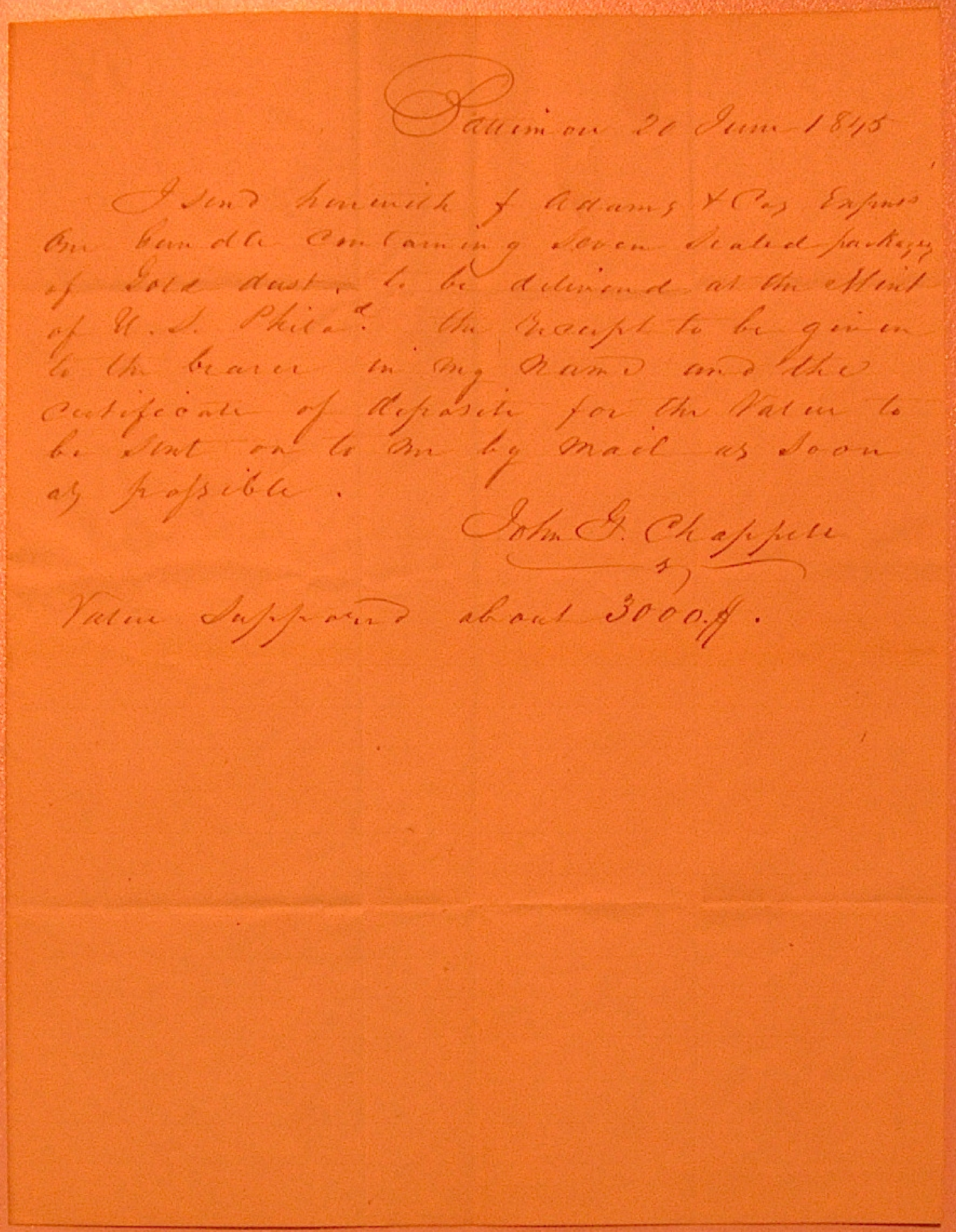
Sir,

In a letter which I had the honour of addressing to you on the 9th inst. I mentioned the embarrassment which the Treasury transfer drafts, payable here in foreign silver coins or bullion, had given to the banks, and that it had forced nearly all of them to have recourse to the Houses of Beebee & Parshall in New York and Philadelphia, for the supply of silver called for. The same thing has occurred with the drafts payable on the 1st of July, and Mess. Beebee, Parshall & Co. have already deposited with us $15,000. of Mexican Coins. They state that they will use every exertion to supply the whole demand in time, but yet that all their efforts may fail; and under these circumstances they renew the proposition which they had made on a former occasion, and which I reported to you in ~~a former~~ my letter above referred to. It is that we should receive from them U.S. coins for such amount as they may be in defect to take up the drafts, with a pledge that they would replace these coins in the course of a few days, by the kind of silver required on the face of the drafts. This course would not, in the case interfere with the purpose you have in view, and it would prevent a measure to which the parties might otherwise be driven, — the manufacture of a factitious silver bullion by the melting down of U.S. silver coins.

Under these circumstances, I would respectfully enquire whether it might not be desirable that the request made by Messrs Beebee & Parshall should be acceded to.

Very respectfully
Your faithful Servant

To/
Hon. R. J. Walker
Sec. of Treasury



Baltimore 20 June 1845

I send herewith p Adams & Co's Express One bundle containing seven sealed packages of Gold dust, to be delivered at the Mint of U. S. Phila^d. the receipt to be given to the bearer in my name and the certificate of deposite for the value to be sent on to me by mail as soon as possible.

John G. Chappell

Value supposed about 3000 $.

Mint U.S.
June 19/48

Sir,

In reply to your letter of this morning, I have to state that I have received no communication from the Sec. of the Treasury on the subject of your application.

R. M. P.
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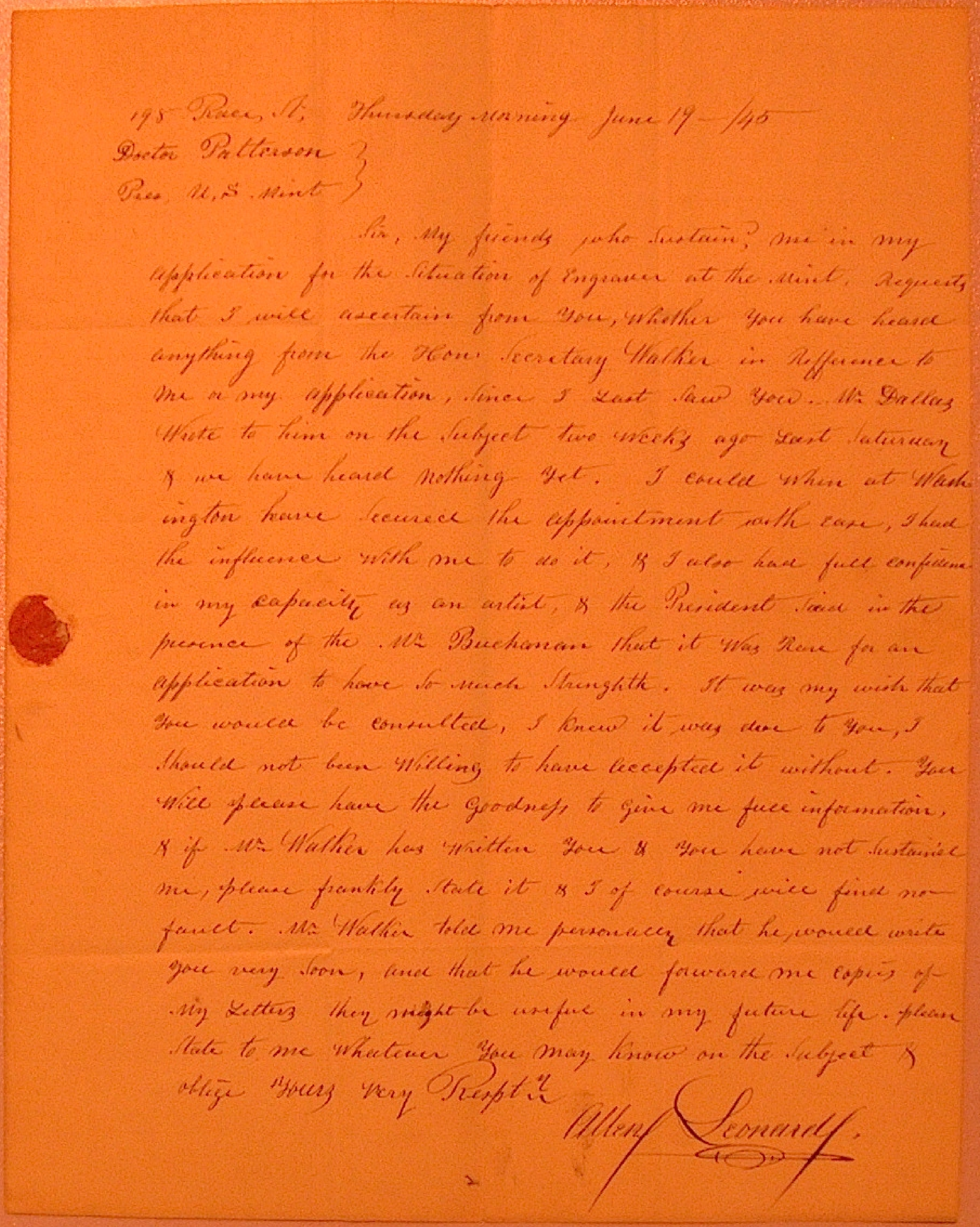
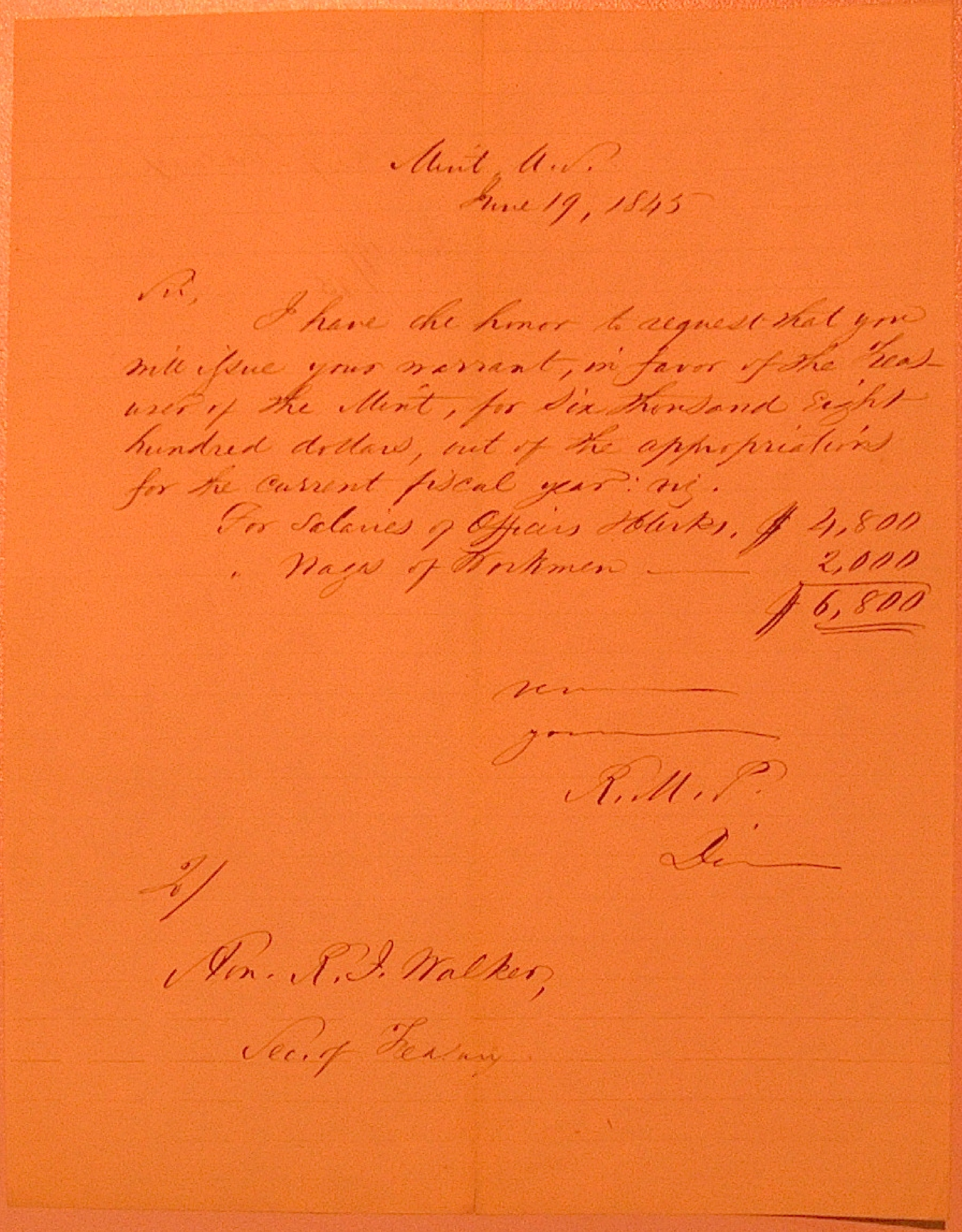
To/
Allen Leonard, Esq.



198 Race St, Thursday Morning June 19 – /45
Doctor Patterson }
Pres. U. S. Mint }

Sir, My friends who Sustaind me in my application for the Situation of Engraver at the Mint, Requests that I will ascertain from You, whether You have heard anything from the Hon: Secretary Walker in Refference to me or my application, Since I Last Saw You. Mr Dallas Wrote to him on the Subject two Weeks ago Last Saturday & we have heard nothing Yet. I could when at Washington have Secured the appointment with ease, I had the influence with me to do it, & I also had full confidence in my capacity as an artist, & the President Said in the presence of the Mr Buchanan that it Was Rare for an application to have So much Strenghth. It was my wish that You would be consulted, I knew it was due to You, I Should not been Willing to have accepted it without. You Will please have the Goodness to give me full information, & if Mr Walker has written You & You have not Sustained me, please frankly State it & I of course will find no fault. Mr Walker told me personally that he would write You very Soon, and that he would forward me copies of My Letters they might be useful in my future life. please State to me Whatever You may know on the Subject & oblige Yours very Respty

Allen Leonard.



Mint, U.S.
June 19, 1845

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Six thousand Eight hundred dollars, out of the appropriations for the current fiscal year: viz.

| | |
|---|---|
| For Salaries of Officers & Clerks, | $ 4,800 |
| " Wages of Workmen | 2,000 |
| | $ 6,800 |

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your

R. M. P.

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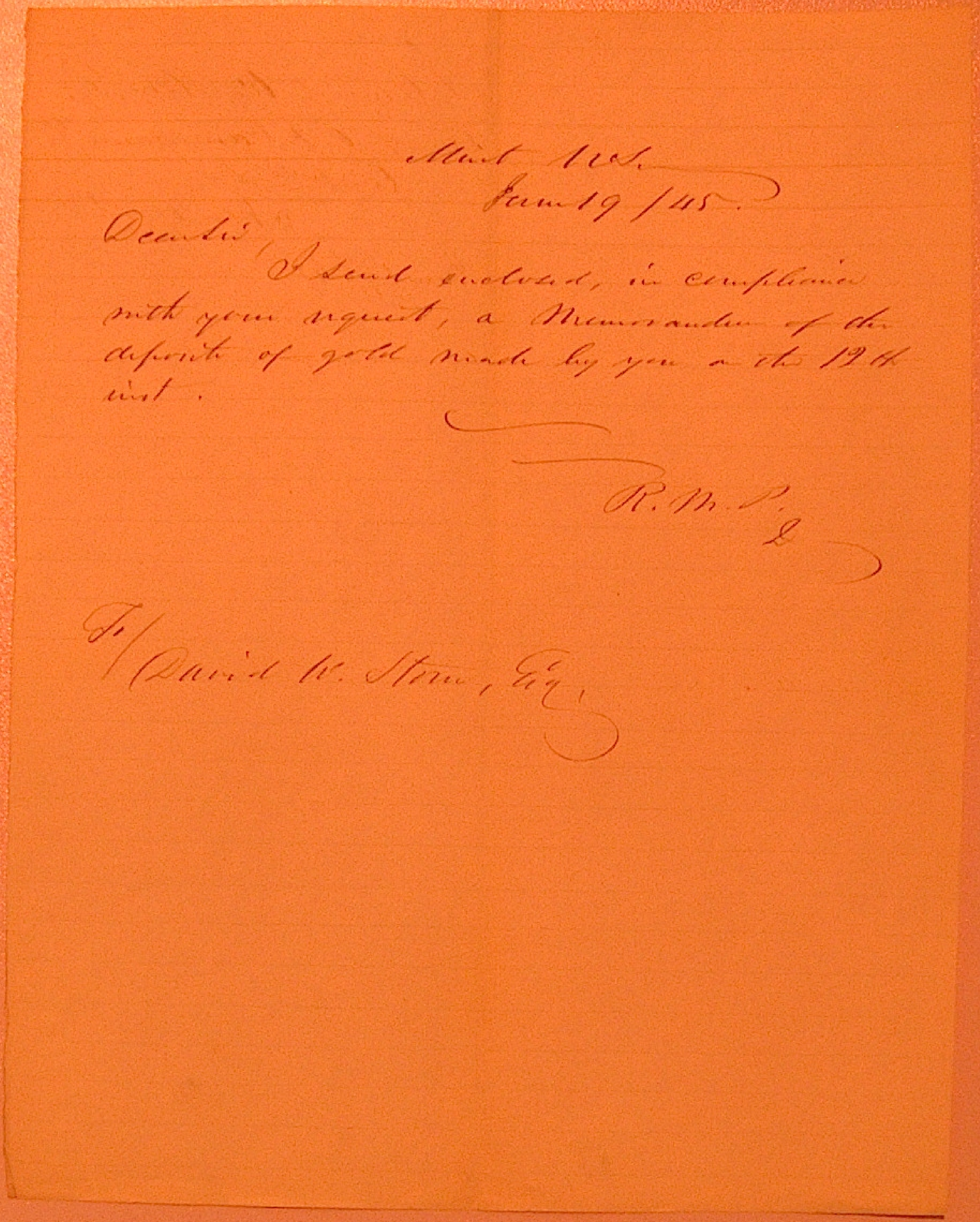
Hon. R. J. Walker,

Sec. of Treasury



Mint U.S.
Jan 19 / 45.

Dear Sir,

I send enclosed, in compliance with your request, a Memorandum of the deposit of gold made by you on the 19th inst.

R. M. P.,
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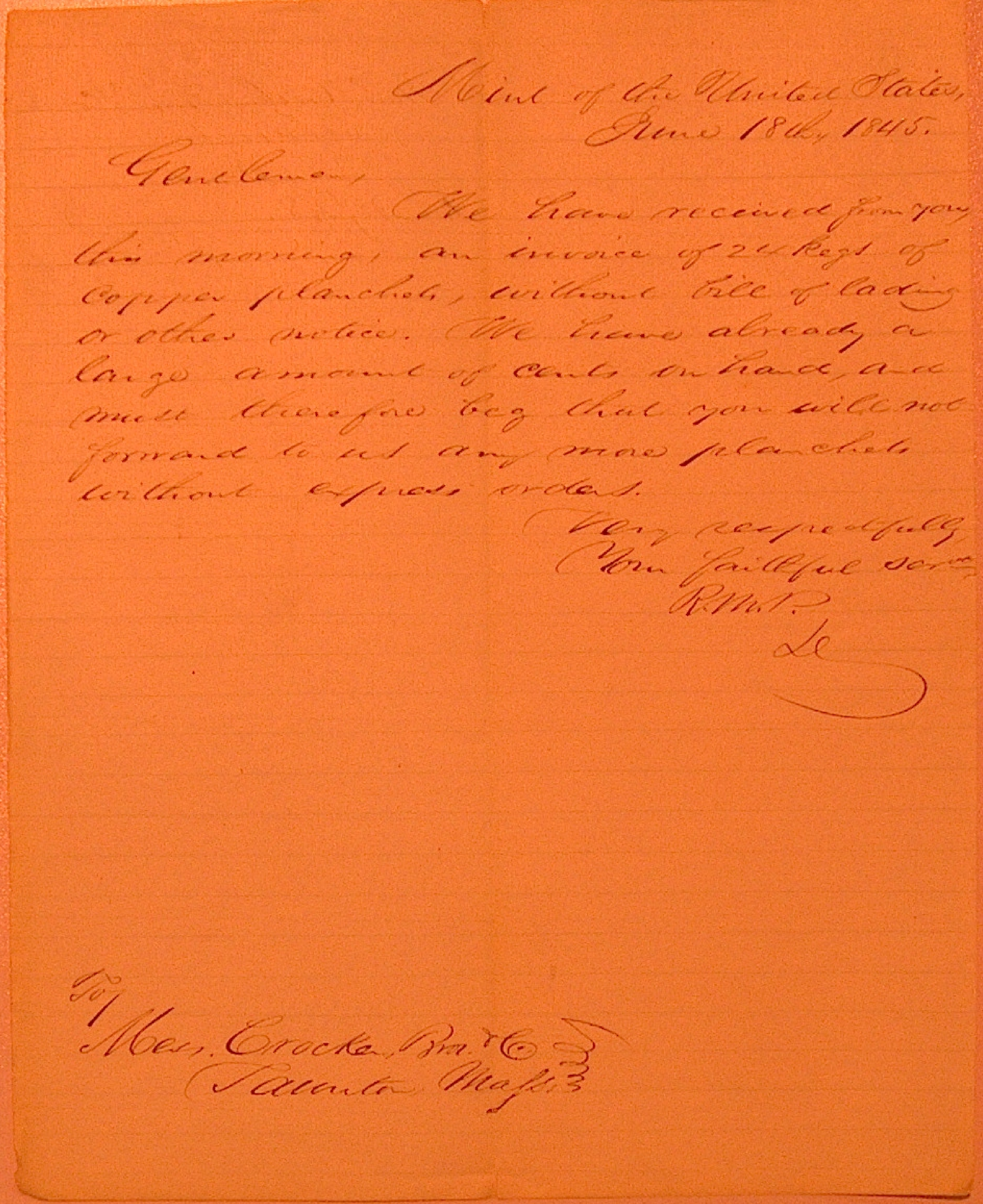
To/
David W. Stone, Esq.



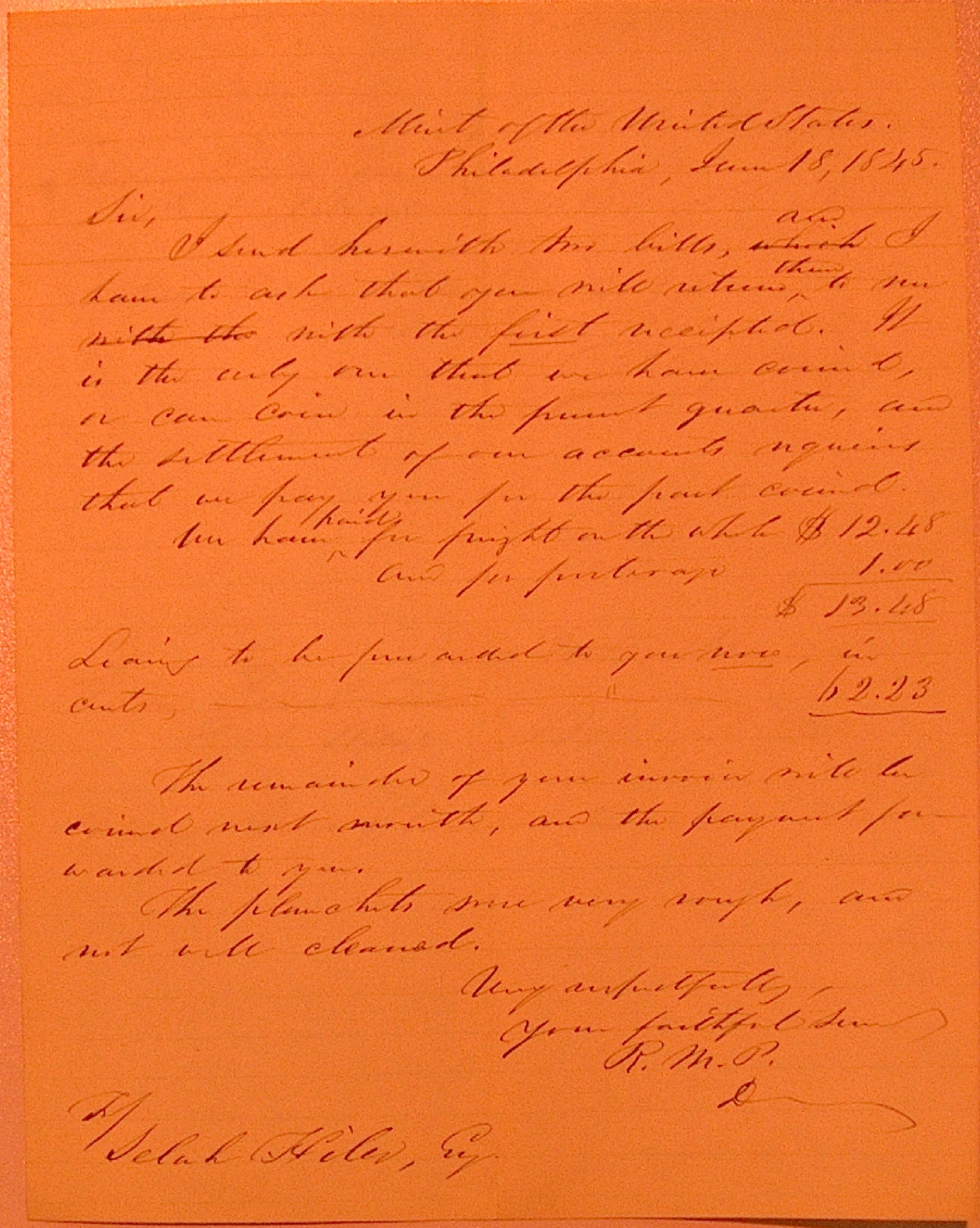
Mint of the United States,
June 18th, 1845.

Gentlemen,

We have received from you this morning, an invoice of 24 kegs of copper planchets, without bill of lading or other notice. We have already a large amount of cents on hand, and must therefore beg that you will not forward to us any more planchets without express orders.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servt.
R.M.P.

To/
Mess. Crocker, Bros. & Co.
Taunton Mass.



Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Jan 18, 1845.

Sir,

I send herewith two bills, ~~which~~ are I have to ask that you will return them to me ~~with the~~ with the first receipted. It is the only one that we have coined, or can coin in the present quarter, and the settlement of our accounts requires that we pay you for the part coined.

| | |
|---|---|
| We have paid for freight on the whole | $12.48 |
| And for portorage | 1.00 |
| | $ 13.48 |

Leaving to be forwarded to you now, in cents, —— 62.23

The remainder of your invoice will be coined next month, and the payment forwarded to you.

The planchets were very rough, and not well cleaned.

Very respectfully,
your faithful serv.
R. M. P.
D

To/ Selah Hiler, Esq.

New York. May 30th, 1845.

Isaac Roach Treasr.
U.S. Mint } Bot of S. Hiler.

1 Keg Cent Planchets 239 lbs
Short weight 2.40
236.60 @ 32¢ $ 75.71

New York, May 30th, 1845.

Isaac Roach Treasr.
U.S. Mint } Bot of S. Hiler.

9 kegs Cent Planchets 2,151 ~~lbs~~ @ 32¢ $688.32

Mint of the United States
June 14th, 1845.

My dear Sir,

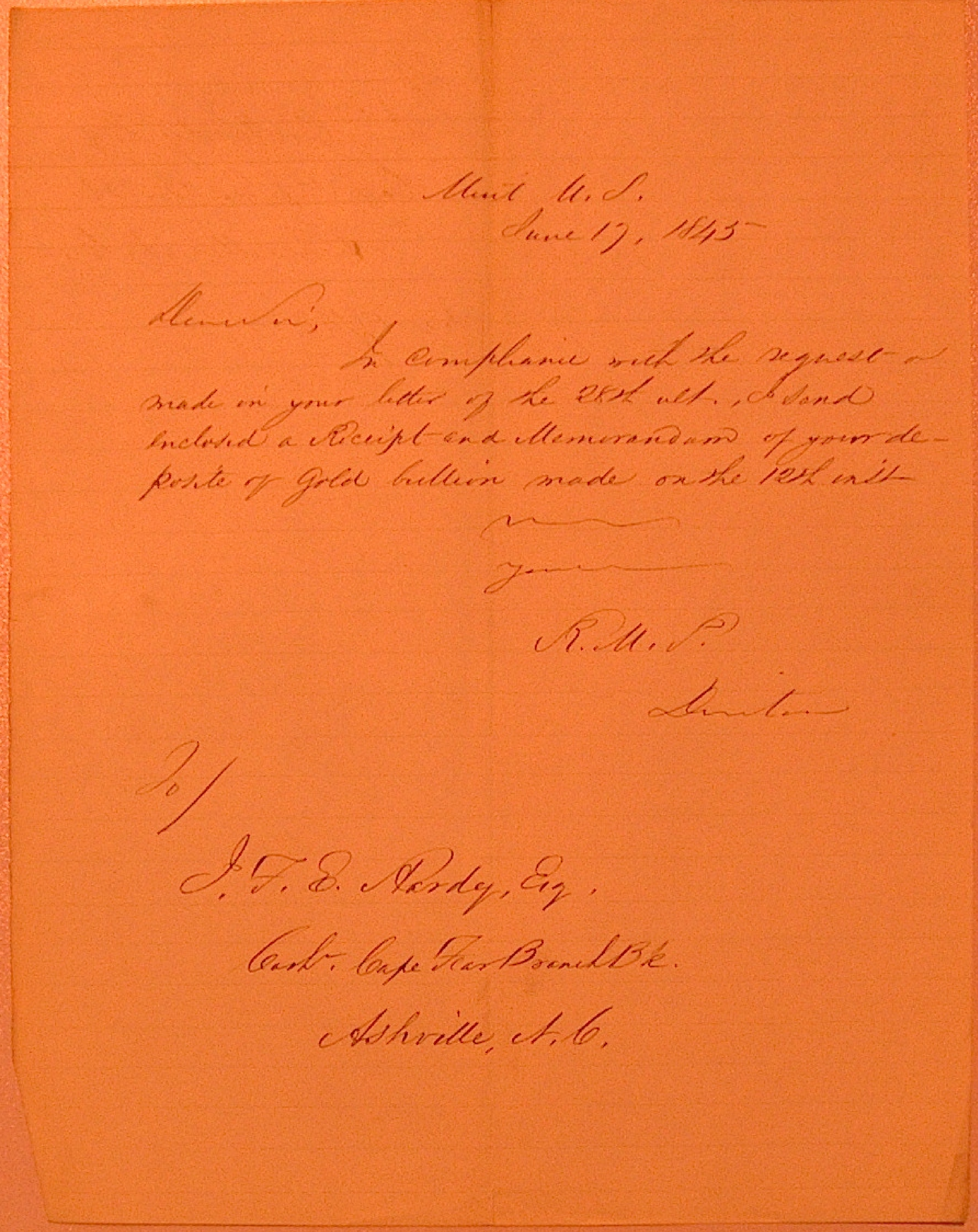
The connection which has existed between us, for more than seven years, is about to be dissolved, in consequence of your own desire communicated to me many months since, and on which your final action has been thus long delayed in kind compliance with my wishes. Our relations have been of the most confidential nature, and have thrown us into close communion; and I therefore speak with knowledge of your character when I say that no one could have proved himself more worthy of entire trust, or could have fulfilled all his duties more ably or more faithfully.

I now part with you, with sincere wishes for the welfare and happiness of yourself and your family in the new career on which you are about to enter; and with assurances of my most affectionate attachment,

Believe me, then,
ever your friend,
R. M. Patterson.

To
Mr. George F. Dunning,
Director's Clerk,
U. S. Mint.

Note. I have wished to present to you, on our parting, some slight memorial of ~~remembrance~~ attachment; but, being puzzled as to a selection, have at last chosen the enclosed as more likely to be useful to you, at this time, than any article to be shown and looked at.



Mint U. S.
June 17, 1845

Dear Sir,

In compliance with the request made in your letter of the 28th ult., I send enclosed a Receipt and Memorandum of your deposite of Gold bullion made on the 12th inst.

R. M. P.
Director

To/

J. F. E. Hardy, Esq.
Cash^r. Cape Fear Branch Bk.
Ashville, N. C.

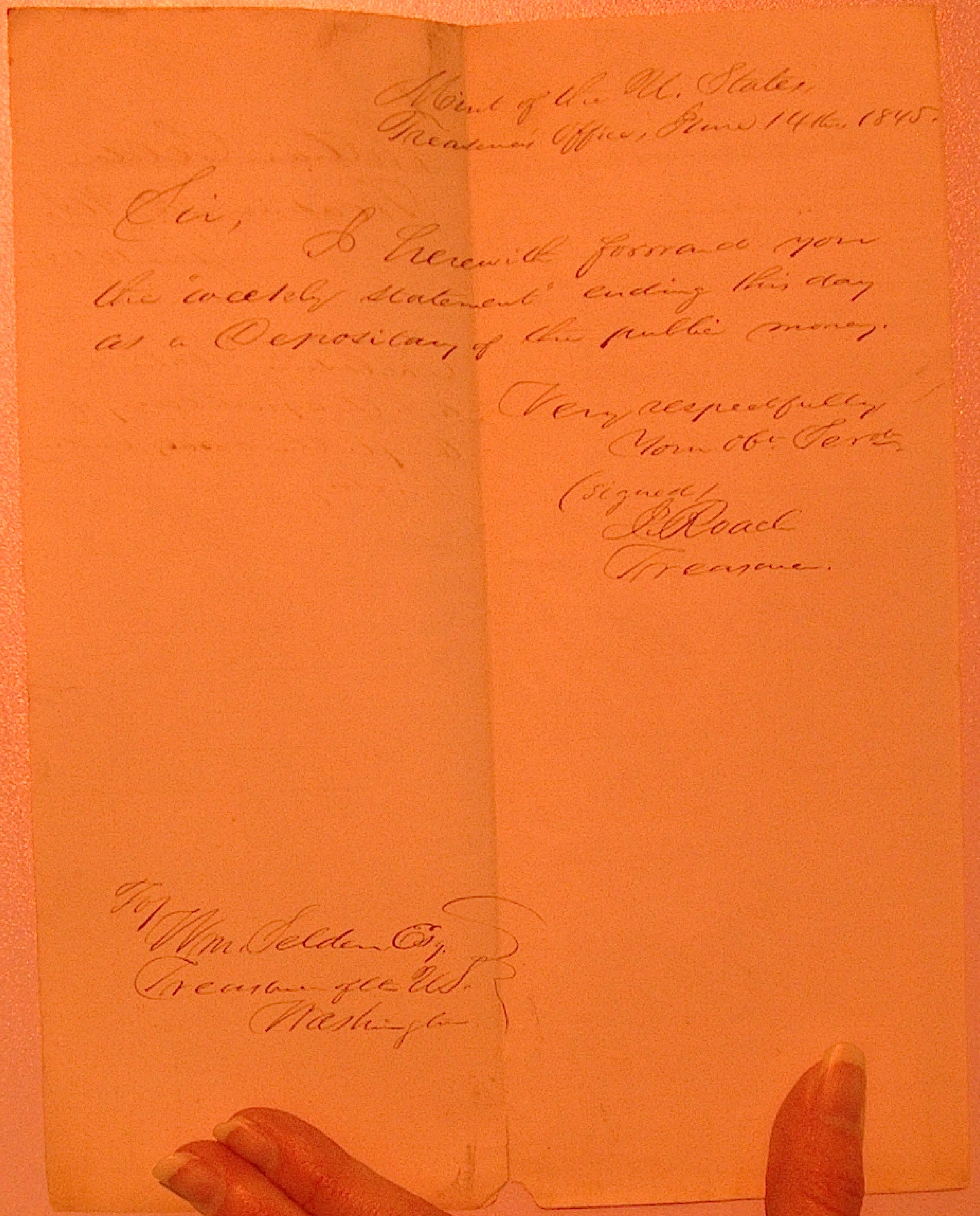
Mint of U. States
Philada June 14. 1845

Sir

I have this day received Treasy transfer draft No 174. in my favor on the Cashier of the Merchants Bank at Boston for Fifty thousand Dollars $50.000. which Amount when received, shall be placed to the credit of your account on the Books of this Mint. in accordance with yr instructions —

Very respectfully
Yr. Obt. Servt
I. Roach
Treasurer

Wm Selden Esqr
Treasr U. States



Mint of the U. States,
Treasurer's Office, June 14th 1845.

Sir,

I herewith forward you the 'weekly statement' ending this day as a Depositary of the public money.

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt.
(signed)
I. Roach
Treasurer.

To
Wm Selden Esq.
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington

## Dr. United States Bullion Account in a/c with Isaac Roach Treasurer of the Mint. Cr.

"For moneys deposited in the Mint by the Treas^r of the U.S. for the purchase of Bullion for Coinage," under Proviso in Sect. 12 of the deposite Act of 1836.

| | Dollars cts. | 1845 | | | | Dollars cts. |
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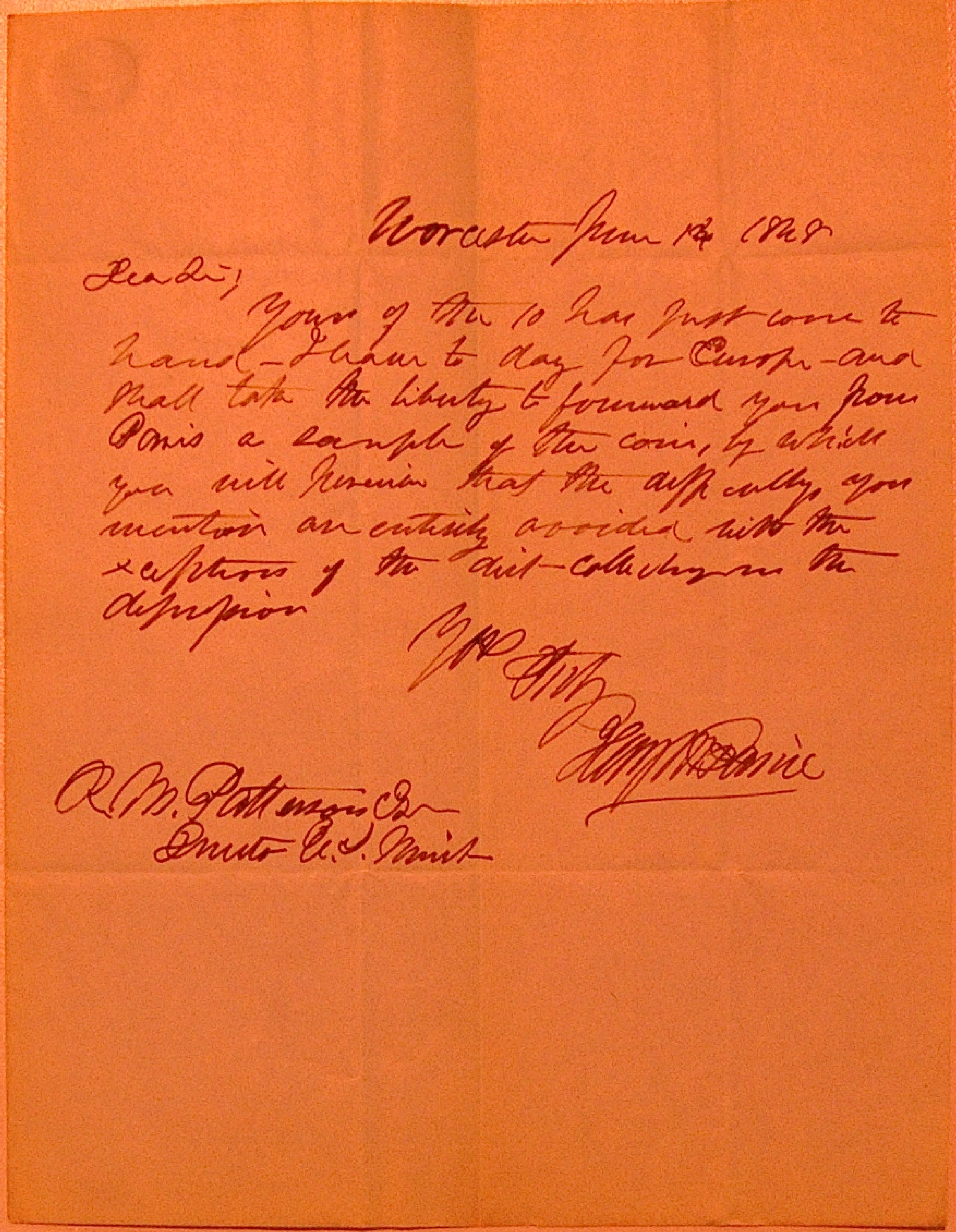
| To Mint of the U.S. | 284960 94 | June 7th | By | Balance as per account rendered this day . . . . . . . . . | | 184960 94 |
| | | " 10 | " | Silver Coinage, for so much received from Sundry banks, out of deposites made by them at the Mint, in payment of the following treasury transfer drafts payable in Philad^a on 10th inst., to my order dated 3d inst., viz: | | |
| | | | | No. 160 on the Mechanics Bk. at N.Y. | $14,000 – | |
| | | | | " 161. " " Bk. of Commerce at N.Y. | 10,000 – | |
| | | | | " 162. " " Bk. of America at N.Y. | 10,000 – | |
| | | | | " 163. " " Am. Exchange Bk. at N.Y. | 7,000 – | |
| | | | | " 164. " " Merchants Bk. at N.Y. | 10,000 – | |
| | | | | " 165. " " North River Bk. at N.Y. | 18,000 – | |
| | | | | " 166. " " Philad^a Bank at Phila | 7,000 – | |
| | | | | " 167. " " Bank of Commerce at Ph^a | 5,000 – | |
| | | | | " 159. " " Bk. of the State of N.Y. at N.Y. | 9,000 – | 100,000 00 |

June 14. 1845.



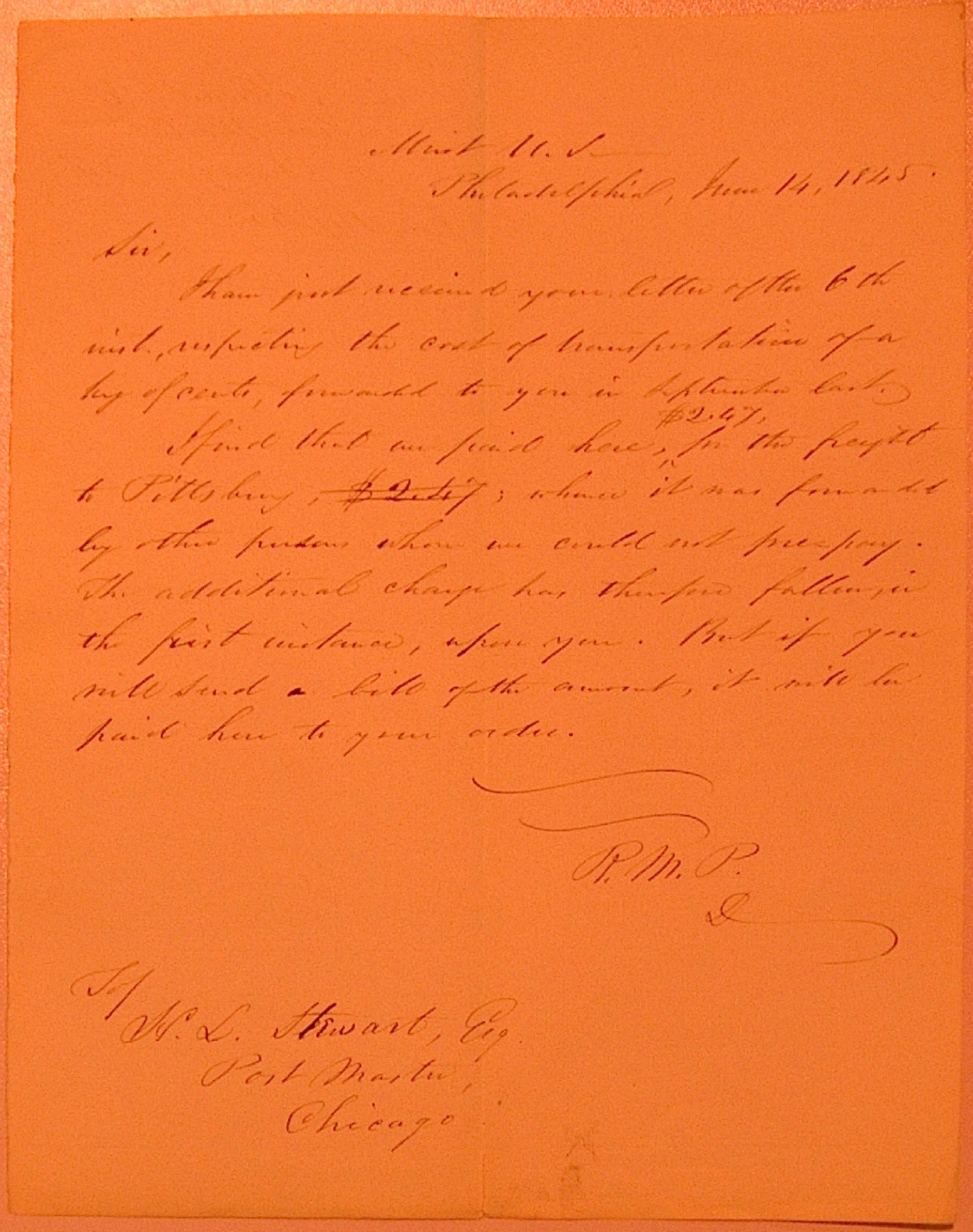
Worcester June 14 1848

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 10 has just come to hand — I leave to day for Europe — and shall take the liberty to forward you from Paris a sample of the coin, by which you will perceive that the difficulty you mention are entirely avoided with the exception of the dirt-collecting in the depression

Yrs Truly

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director U.S. Mint



Mint U. S.
Philadelphia, Jan. 14, 1845.

Sir,

I have just received your letter of the 6th inst., respecting the cost of transportation of a keg of cents, forwarded to you in September last.

I find that we paid here, $2.47, for the freight to Pittsburg, ~~$2.47~~; whence it was forwarded by other persons whom we could not prepay. The additional charge has therefore fallen, in the first instance, upon you. But if you will send a bill of the amount, it will be paid here to your order.

R. M. P.
D.

To/
H. L. Stewart, Esq.
Post Master,
Chicago.

## (CIRCULAR TO PUBLIC OFFICERS ACTING UNDER DIRECTIONS OF THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.)

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
*June* 13, 1845.

The provisions of the act of 3d March, 1845, requiring that all letters, packages, and other matters, received through the mail by officers of the Government after the first proximo shall be charged with postage, make it desirable that a retrenchment be effected in the mass of papers heretofore transmitted to this Department. Much may be done in this respect, with advantage to the public service, by compressing the statements and returns required by law or regulation, so as not to lessen their distinctness; and whenever more than one, is made on the same day, to the same office, to include them all upon one sheet, *if* their *extent* and *character* will allow. In making communications to any officer of the Department, care should be taken to condense them, so as to bring the postages thereon within the lowest possible limits.

In regard to postages charged on the letters, packages, and other matters, received by you through the mail, touching the duties or business of your office, you will be pleased to keep an account of the same in detail, showing from whom each letter, &c., is received, and the amount of postage thereon; which account, verified by oath, you will transmit to this Department, at the close of each quarter, and the proper order will be immediately given respecting its payment.

R. J. Walker,
*Secretary of the Treasury.*

Form of Declaration

We declare, under the sanction of our official oaths, that the above are, to the best of our knowledge and belief, true lists of the letters, &c received in our respective offices, on business of the Mint, and of which the postages were paid out of the Mint Contingent Fund, during the quarter ending this day.

Mint of the United States }
Sept. 30, 1845 }
{ For Endorsement turn over }

R M P. Director
I. R. Treasr

~~First~~ Perfect account in detail of the postages paid at the United States Mint during the — quarter of 184
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|---|---|
| Corresponding to Warrant No. 85 | $12.03 |
| (Warrant No. 105<br>Petty Expenses<br>Voucher 96) | 7.56 |
| | $19.59 |

149
119
130

Mint of the United States
June 13th, 1845.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of yesterday presents questions, connected with our Mint Operations, which are of great interest, and to which I lose no time in replying according to the best information that I possess.

Silver bullion, including foreign coins, is now scarce in the United States. The call which you had already made for it, upon the banks, ~~put~~ caused them embarrassment, and forced many all of them to have recourse to the House of Beebee and Parish, to whom they paid one per cent for Mexican ~~$~~ dollars. Mr. Beebee, of the Philadelphia House, assures me, however, that the scarcity is diminishing, and that we may soon expect silver deposits for coinage, which have been so long nearly suspended.

Mexican dollars are more abundant in New Orleans than here: still the deposits ~~th~~ at the Mint there for silver coinage, in the month of May, amounted to only 133,000 dollars.

I am assured that the banks here and in New York are well supplied with dimes and half-dimes; but I ~~agree~~ think with you, that when the new postages come into use, the demand for small coins will be found to exceed the present supply.

The number of dimes and half-dimes in the South western States is, as I believe, greater than here. They were for a long time freely received as eighths and sixteenths of a dollar, and were in consequence not only coined in large quantities at the New Orleans Mint, but also at this Mint, for the supply of the Valley of the Mississippi.

On the 20th of March last, I received a letter from the Treasurer of the Mint at New Orleans, in which he says,— "Applications have been made at this office to receive dimes and half-dimes, of the Coinage of the United States, in deposite, to be recoined into coins of a larger denomination. This we have heretofore declined; but there are so many of these small coins held in this city, and they are so very inconvenient for the purposes of trade, that I beg to consult you as to whether it would be proper to receive them on deposite to be recoined as stated." To this application I of course ~~gave~~ made reply in the negative, but it still serves to show that there was an excess of these small coins for the purposes for which they were then required.

~~You ask me~~

As to the amount of this coinage which we can execute at the Mint, I have to state that we have two presses now at work, one on dimes and the other on half-dimes, and that each of them can strike 50,000 pieces per day: ~~say~~ that is, $5000 in dimes and $2,500 in halves. This coinage would not interfere with that of quarter and half dollars, or of gold pieces.

In the five years from 1839 to 1843 inclusive, the average annual coinage at this Mint, of dimes was $145,836, and of half-dimes $55,432. In the year 1844, that of dimes was but $7,250, and that of halves but $21,600. It cannot, however, be inferred from this, that the demand for these coins had been supplied, for the whole coinage was proportionally reduced, in consequence of the high rates of foreign exchange.

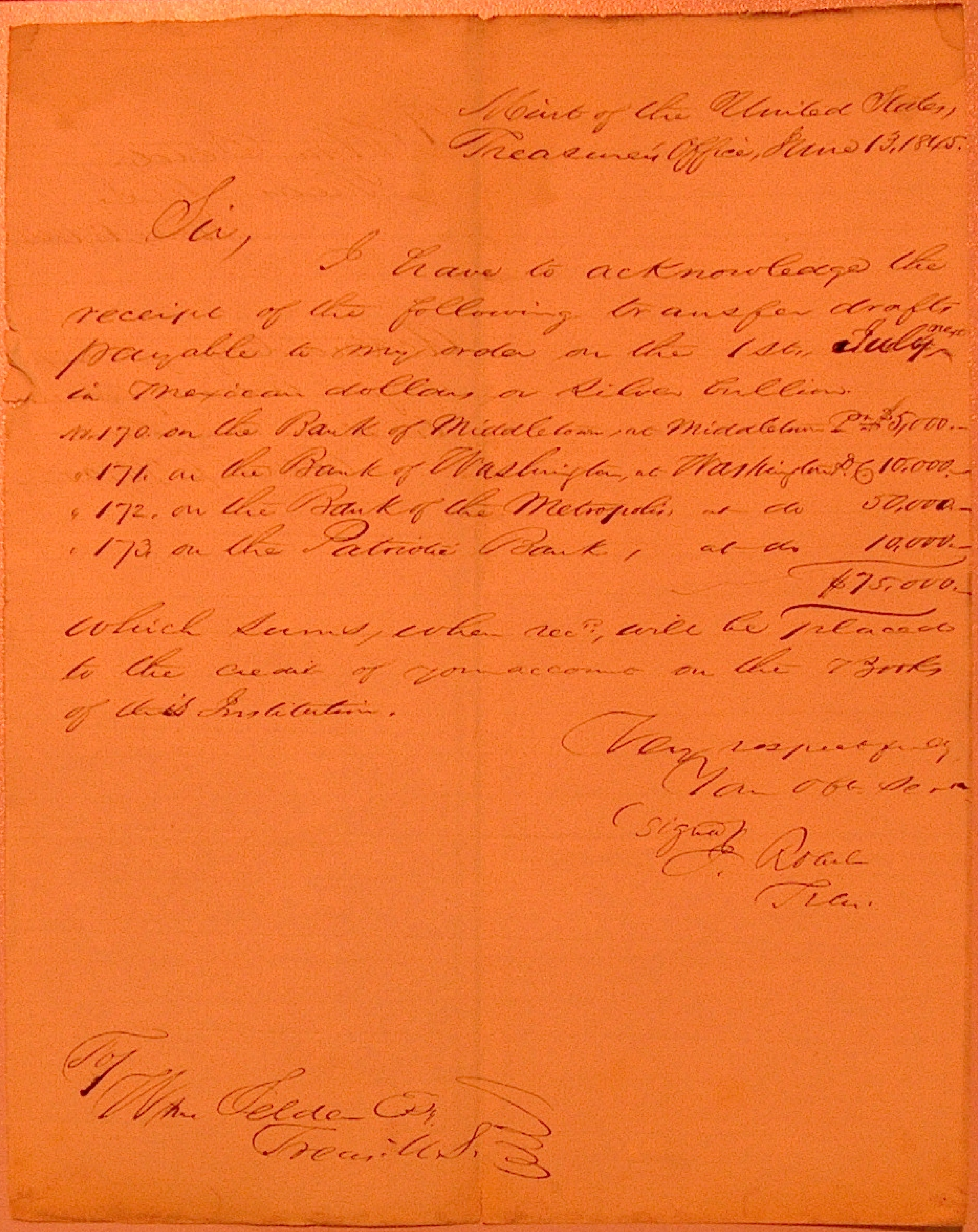
May I ask your attention to the question of the expediency of coining the whole of the large amount of silver which you have provided for us into dimes and half-dimes. Quarter dollars are as little liable to exportation, and form a most convenient currency. May I not order part of the ~~amount~~ silver to be made into these pieces? You have drawn from ~~us~~ our former deposits $6,500 in half-dollars; May I not be permitted to replace these. In support of these requests, I would state that your ~~late~~ recent ~~urgent~~ orders found us with $8,965 in dimes, and $9,100 in half-dimes, already on hand.

Your ~~recent~~ late draft on us reduced our gold deposits, already small, ~~by the amount of~~ $13,500. Gold is abundant in the banks. Can you not ~~make a~~ order a transfer draft, in our favor, payable in ~~of~~ foreign gold coin? At every new session of Congress, we have an application for U.S. gold ~~coin~~ for the pay of the Members; while I have reason to believe that the banks at Washington have full supplies of sovereigns lying in their vaults.

Most respectfully
I truly yours
R. M. Patterson.

Hon. R. J. Walker

To Sec. of Treasury.
June 13. 1845.



Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, June 13, 1845.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the following transfer drafts payable to my order on the 1st July next in Mexican dollars or Silver bullion

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|---|---|---|---|
| No. 170 | on the Bank of Middletown | at Middletown Pa. | $5,000. |
| " 171 | on the Bank of Washington, | at Washington D.C. | 10,000. |
| " 172 | on the Bank of the Metropolis | at do | 50,000. |
| " 173 | on the Patriotic Bank, | at do | 10,000. |
| | | | $75,000. |

which sums, when rec'd, will be placed to the credit of your account on the Books of this Institution.

Very respectfully,
Yr. Obt. Servt.
(Signed) I. Roach
Tr.

To Wm. Selden Esq.
Treasr. U.S.

Treasury of the United States
June 12th 1845

Sir

Enclosed you will receive four transfer Drafts in your favor, Viz:

Pd June 24/45 No 170. on the Bank of Middletown at Middletown Penna. $ 5,000 " "
Pd June 20/45 171. on the Bank of Washington at Washington D. C. 10,000 " "
Pd June 25/45 in Gold 172 on the Bank of the Metropolis at Do. " " 50,000 " "
~~[illegible]~~ Pd June 28/45 173 on the Patriotic Bank at Do. " " 10,000 " "

all payable at Philadelphia on the 1st of July next in Mexican Dollars, or silver bullion, — Which sums be pleased to place to the credit of my Account on the Books of your Institution —

I am respectfully
Your Obedt Servant
W Selden
Treasurer U S

The Treasurer of the Mint
at Philadelphia

Mint U.S., Nov 12/45

Sir,

I send enclosed a Memorandum of the proceeds of the deposite of Mexican dollars, made by you on the 11th inst., to pay a treasury draft in our favor for $9000. The balance, of $45.58 is held subject to your order, as stated in my letter of yesterday.

R. M. P.
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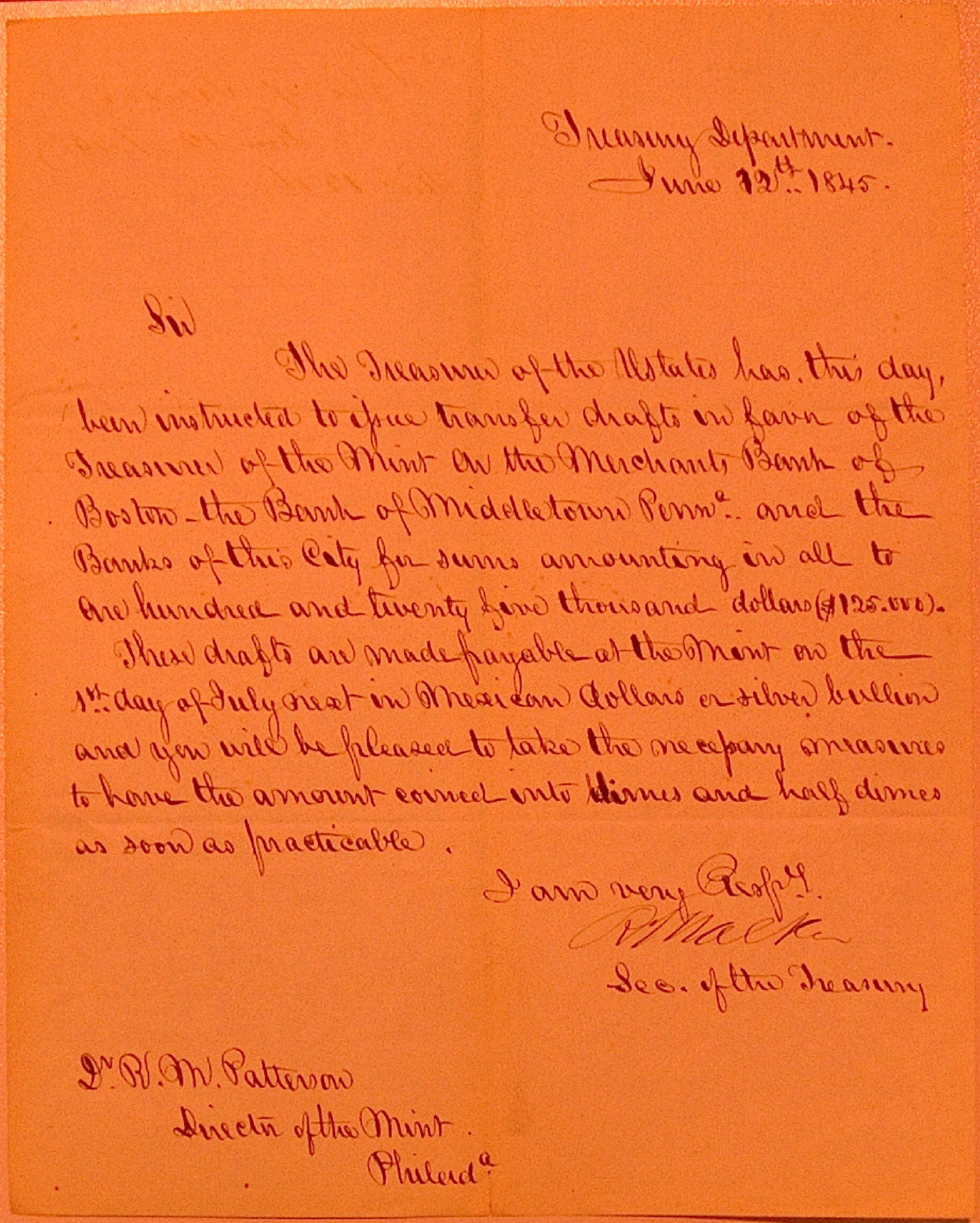
To/
Cashier of the Bank
of the State of New York
N. Y.



Treasury Department.
June 12th. 1845.

Sir

The Treasurer of the U States has, this day, been instructed to issue transfer drafts in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint on the Merchants Bank of Boston - the Bank of Middletown Penna. and the Banks of this City for sums amounting in all to one hundred and twenty five thousand dollars ($125.000).

These drafts are made payable at the Mint on the 1st. day of July next in Mexican dollars or silver bullion and you will be pleased to take the necessary measures to have the amount coined into dimes and half dimes as soon as practicable.

I am very Respy.
R J Walker
Sec. of the Treasury

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint.
Philada.

Treasury of the United States
June 12th 1845

Sir

Enclosed you will receive one transfer Draft, in your favor, Viz.
Pd July 5/45 No 174, on the Merchants Bank at Boston, for $50,000 payable at Philadelphia on the 1st day of July next, in Mexican Dollars or silver bullion. Which sum you will be pleased to place to the credit of my Account on the Books of your Institution.

I am respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
W Selden
Treasurer U.S.

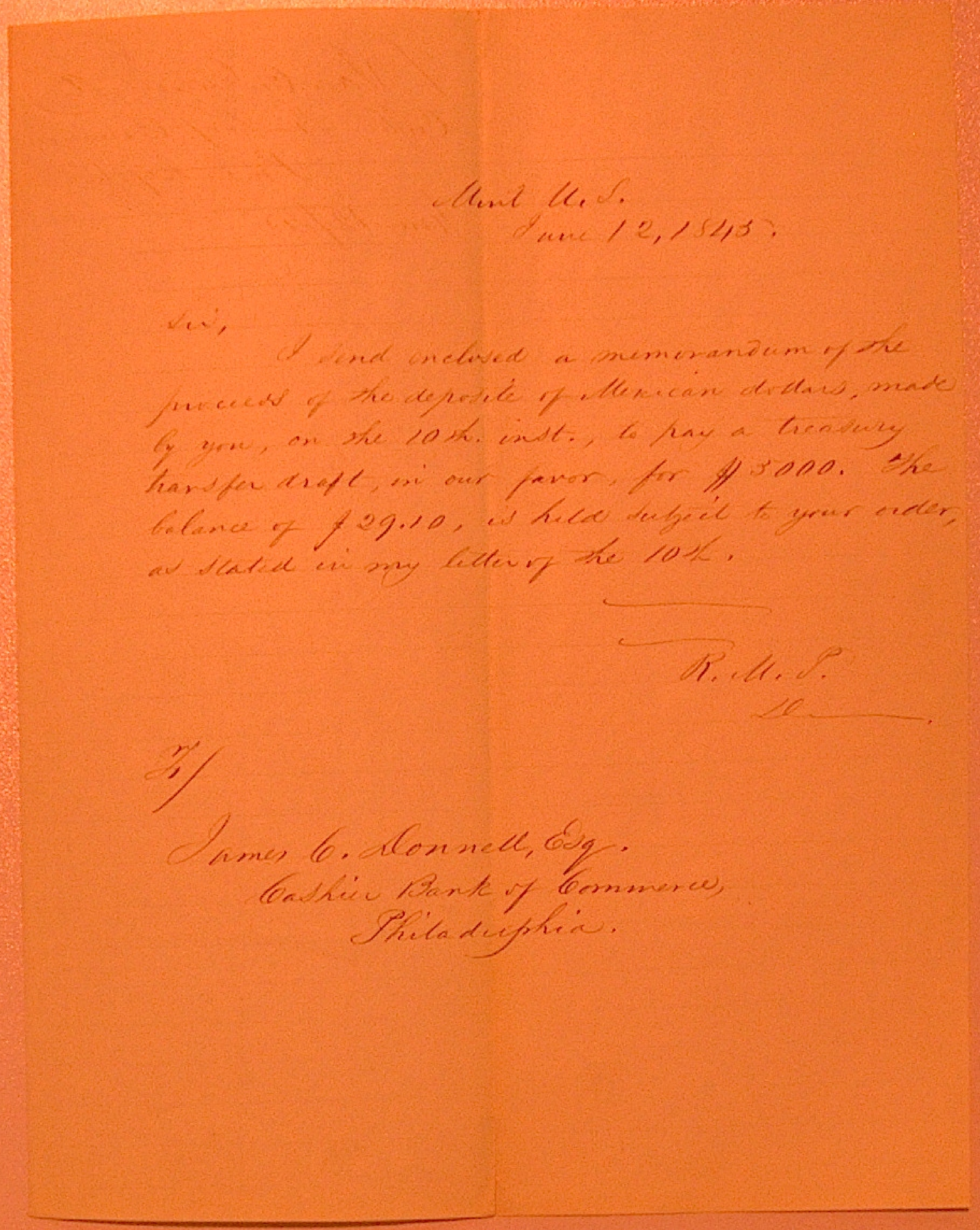
The Treasurer of the Mint
at Philadelphia

Bank of the St of Newyork
Newyork 12 June 1845

R. M. Patterson Esq
Sir

Your favor of the 11th inst enclosing a transfer check of the Treasurer of the U. S. on this Bank for Nine thousand ($9000) dollars, also a mint certificate for Seventy seven hundred & ninety eight $\frac{30}{100}$ ($7798\frac{30}{100}$) ounces of Silver Bullion, duly came to hand, — as requested — the receipt for the Bullion, endorsed, I enclose herein and shall be happy to hear of a balance in our favor

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servant
J Anthony
A Clarke



Mint U.S.
June 12, 1845.

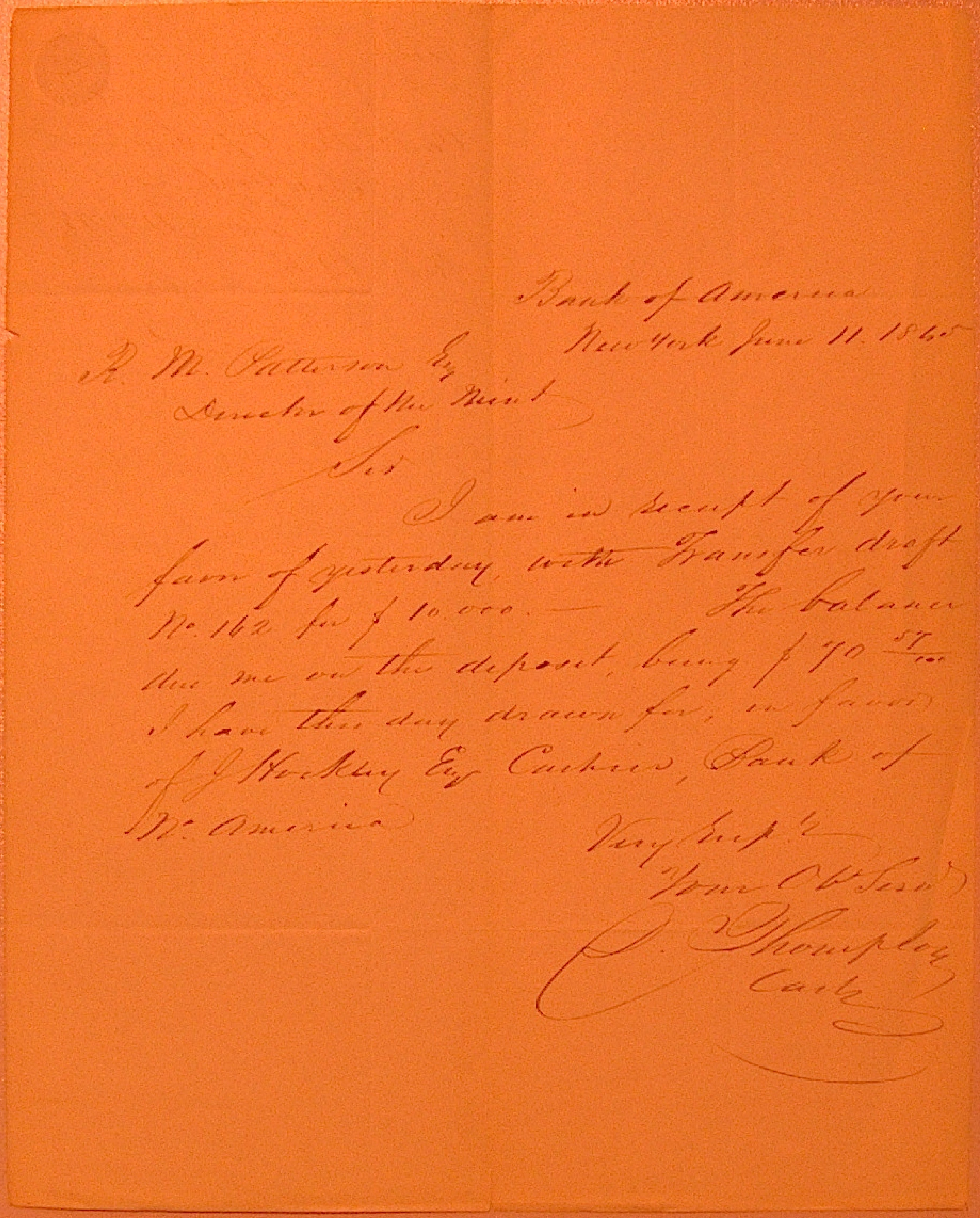
Sir,

I send inclosed a memorandum of the proceeds of the deposite of Mexican dollars, made by you, on the 10th. inst., to pay a treasury transfer draft, in our favor, for $5000. The balance of $29.10, is held subject to your order, as stated in my letter of the 10th.

R. M. P.

To/

James C. Donnell, Esq.
Cashier Bank of Commerce,
Philadelphia.



Bank of America
New York June 11. 1845

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint

Sir

I am in receipt of your favor of yesterday, with Transfer draft No. 162 for $ 10.000. — The balance due me on the deposit, being $ 70 57/100 I have this day drawn for, in favor of J Hockley Esq Cashier, Bank of N. America

Very Resp.ly
Your Obt Servt
C. Thompson
Cash

Mint of the United States.
June 11th, 1845.

Sir,

I have the satisfaction to state that the payment of the enclosed U.S. Treasury transfer-draft was received by us this morning.

As it was made in Mexican dollars, which may be always expected to yield more than their nominal value, I have judged it but fair to receive them as bullion. You will please, therefore, to return to me the enclosed Mint receipt, endorsed, and we will hold the balance which, on assay, shall prove to be in your favor, subject to your order.

R. M. P.
Dr.

To
Cashr. Bank of State
of New York. N.Y.

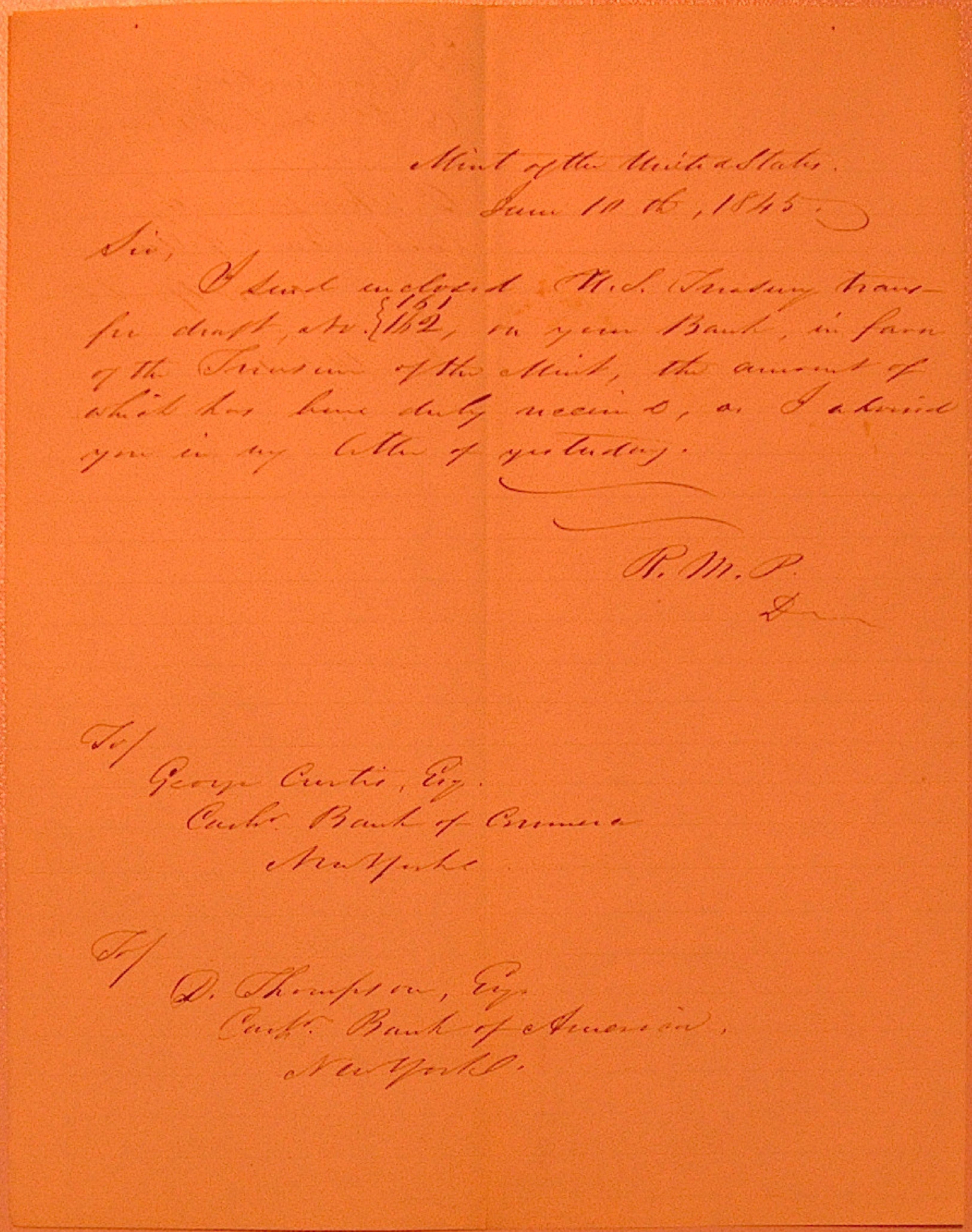
Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, June 10, 1845
3½ p. m

Sir,

A U. S. Treasury transfer draft, no. 159 on your bank, payable to the Treasurer of the Mint, here, in foreign silver coins or bullion, on this day, remains in our hands unpaid. I have felt it my duty to call your attention to this fact. Eight other drafts of the same character, amounting together to $ 91,000, have been duly paid

very ———
your ———
R. M. P.
Director

To / Cashier of Bank of the State of New York



Mint of the United States.
June 10th, 1845.

Sir,

I send enclosed U.S. Treasury transfer draft, No. $\left\{\begin{matrix}161\\162\end{matrix}\right.$, on your Bank, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, the amount of which has been duly received, as I advised you in my letter of yesterday.

R. M. P.
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To/
George Curtis, Esq.
Cash. Bank of Commerce
New York

To/
D. Thompson, Esq.
Cash. Bank of America,
New York.

Mint U.S.
June 10 / 46.

Sir,

After the letter which I wrote to you yesterday, I feel it my duty to state that all the Treasury transfer drafts, made payable here this day, have been paid in foreign silver coins or bullion, except ~~that~~ No. 159, on the Bank of the State of New York, for $9000.

Under the authority granted to me in your letter of the 20th of March last, I accepted part of this payment in U.S. half-dollars, of the old standard, received by weight as bullion.

R. M. P.
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To/
Hon. Robert J. Walker,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Mint of the United States,
June 11, 1845.

Sir,

I send enclosed U. S. Treasury ~~trans~~ ~~fer~~ draft, No 167, on your Bank, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for $5000, which amount has been received from you in Mexican dollars.

In the corresponding payments from other Banks, I have thought it but just to receive the Mexican dollars as bullion, and after weighing and assaying them, to account for the balance, which may always be expected ~~usually~~ ~~upon~~ ~~as~~ in favor of the depositor. I shall pursue the same course in your case ~~with you~~; and, if you will send up to the Mint in the course of two or three days, will pay you such balance as may prove to be in your favor.

R. M. P.
&c

To/ Jas. C. Donnell, Esq
Cashier Bank of Commerce
Philadelphia

Mint of the United States
June 9th, 1845.

Sir,

I find that ~~your~~ the Treasury drafts on the Banks, for payments in foreign silver coins or bullion, have caused them no small embarrassment. We have received payment, *directly*, only from the Bank of Commerce of New York. All the other banks, (except ~~the~~ perhaps the Bank of the State of New York, from which I have no information,) have been obliged to employ the House of Beebee & Parshalls, (Specie brokers,) to procure the means, ~~of meeting them~~ and make the payments for them. This may be effected in full tomorrow; but it will be with the greatest difficulty, if, indeed, it be not necessary to submit to a delay of some days, — not, as Mr. Beebee assures me, extending beyond the present week. This House has asked us to receive U.S. coins, ~~in deposite as a pledge~~ for such amount as they may be in default, to take up the drafts, with a pledge from them that they would replace those coins, in the course of a few days, by the kind of silver required on the face of the drafts.

This would be no inconvenience to the Mint, and would ~~lead to the~~ not in the end interfere with the ~~o~~ purposes you have in view, but we ~~do not~~ feel doubtful of the propriety of ~~authorised to~~ taking the course they propose without authority from the Department, and it is now too late to get it before the drafts fall due.

R. M. P.
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To/
Hon. Robert J. Walker,
Secretary of the Treasury

Mint of the United States
June 9th, 1845

Sir,

I send enclosed a memorandum of the silver bullion, (Mexican dollars) deposited by you on the 7th inst. On your returning the Mint Receipt, endorsed, ~~upon~~ we will send to you the draft in your favor from the U.S. Treasury; and the balance shall be held subject to your order.

R. M. P.
Dir.

To/
D. Thompson, Esqr.
Cash. Bank of America
New York

Bank of Commerce in New York
June 9. 1845

Sir.

I have recd your favor of 7th Inst. and agreeably to your request return enclosed the Mint Certificate furnished by you, duly endorsed to your order, to wait the adjustment you mention.

I am, Sir, very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Geo. Curtis, Cy.

I. Roach Esq.
Treasurer of U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.

North River Bank
New York June 9th 1845

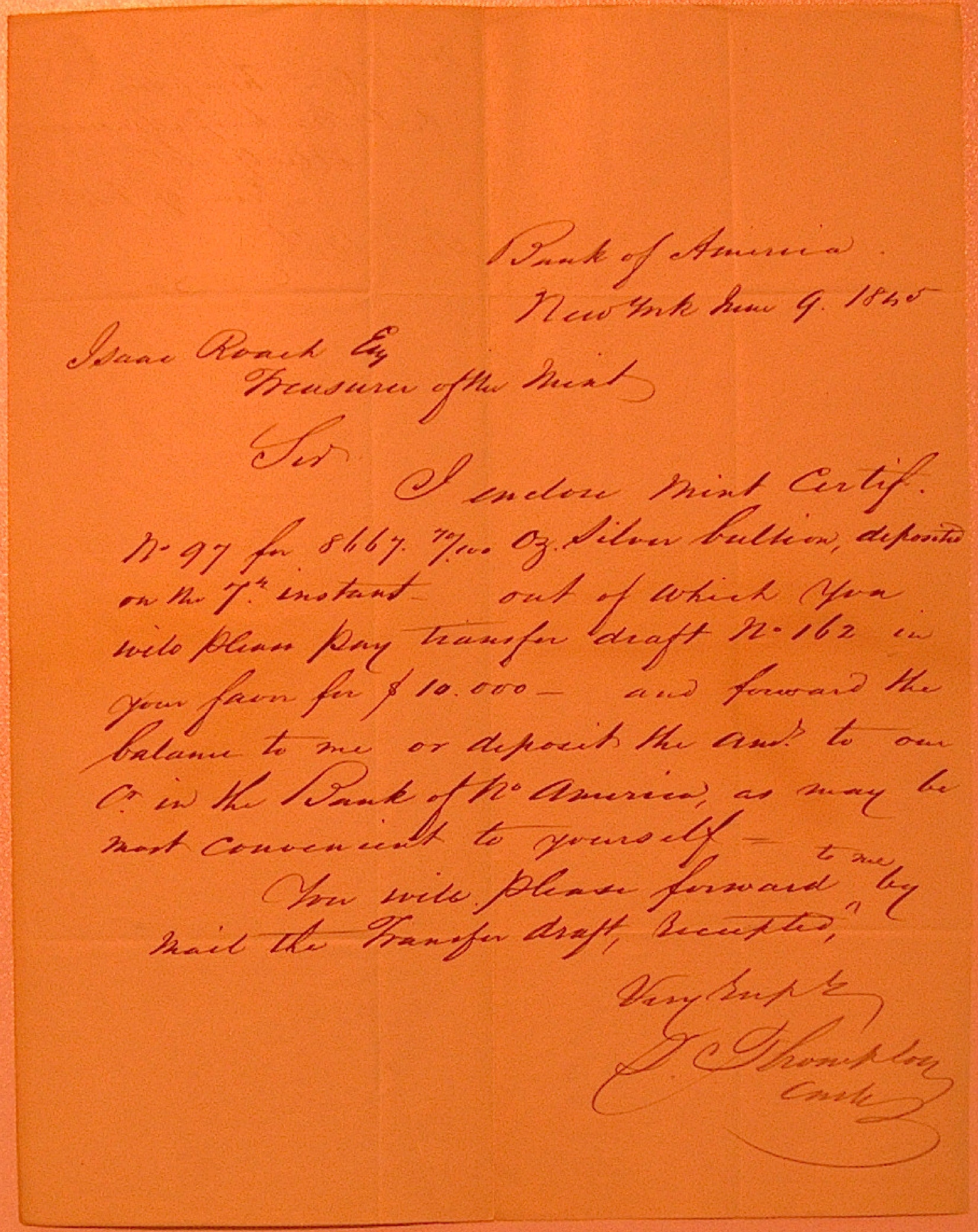
Sir

We have notice from the Treasury of the United States of a Draft on us for $10000 in Mexican Dollars, payable at the Mint on the 10th instant

Messrs Butler & Parshall will deliver you that amount tomorrow, please hand them the draft.

Yours Respectfully
A B Hays
Ca

Treasurer of the Mint
at Philadelphia



Bank of America.
New York June 9. 1845

Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer of the Mint

Sir

I enclose Mint Certif. N° 97 for 8667. 70/100 Oz. Silver bullion, deposited on the 7th instant — out of which you will please pay transfer draft N° 162 in your favor for $ 10.000 — and forward the balance to me or deposit the Amt. to our Cr. in the Bank of N° America, as may be most convenient to yourself —

You will please forward to me by mail the Transfer draft, receipted,

Very Respy

J. Thompson
Cash.

Mint U.S.
June 9, 1845.

Sir,

I send you enclosed a memorandum of the proceeds of your deposite of Mexican dollars made on the 7th inst. On returning the Mint receipt, with your endorsement, we will send you the U.S. Treasury draft, and the balance in your favor shall be held subject to your order.

R. M. P.
D

To/ George Curtis, Esq.
Cashier of Bank of Commerce
New York.

Captain Eckfelt

Dear Sir

I learn, that you have again arrived in our city and as the counsel of Miller O'Neil & — who claim the reward for the apprehension, I propose that we submit the question of to whom the money shall go and in what proportion to judge Kane who knows all the circumstances. Dr. Patterson has suggested this mode of arranging the matter. Will you let me hear from you before you leave

Very Respectfully

W. W. Wallace

June 8. 1848

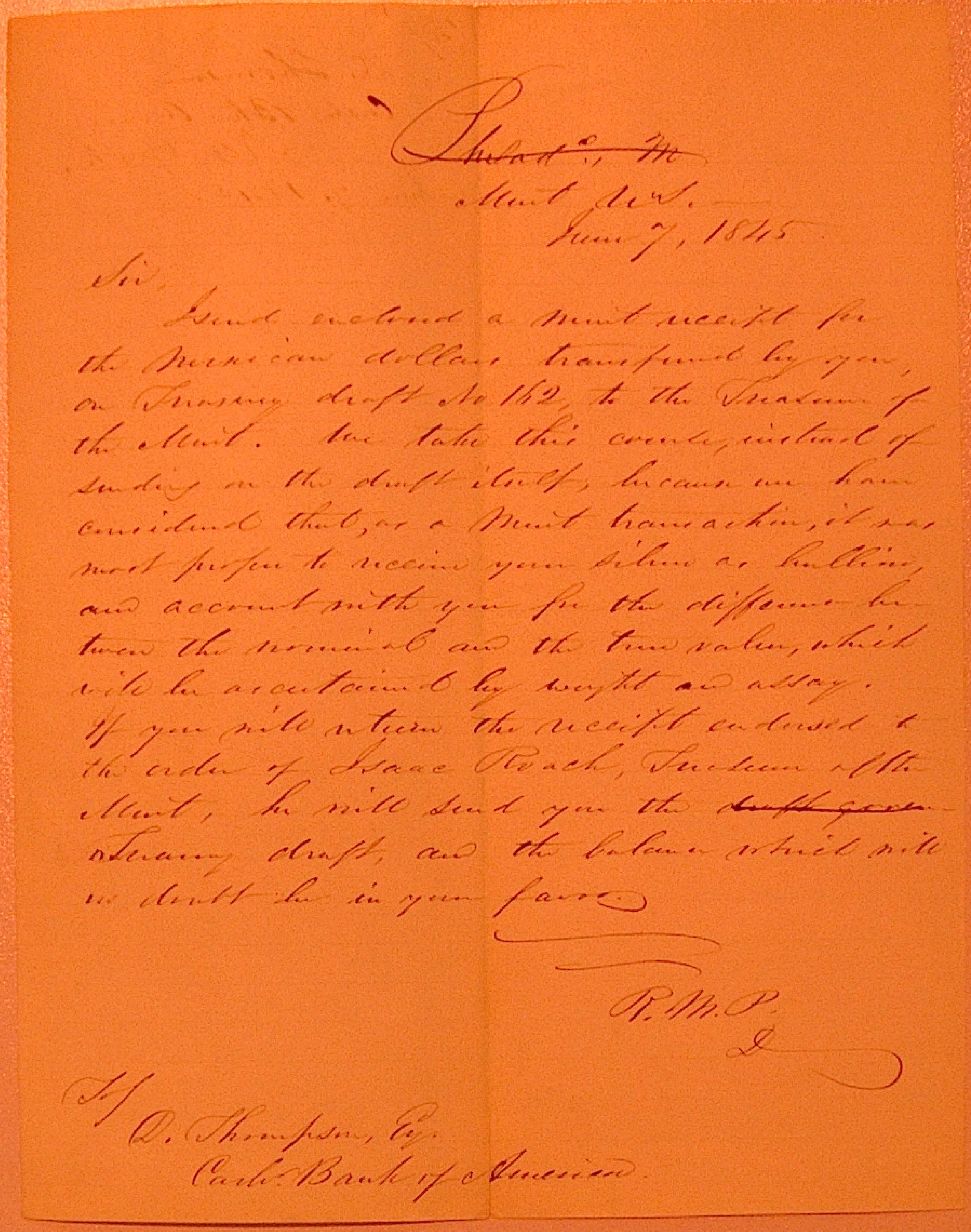
Mint of the United States,
Philada. June 7. 1845.

Sir,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday, also your deposite of one keg and five boxes Mexican dollars, and as I cannot remit the draft for $10,000, until an assay has been made of the bullion, I have enclosed the Mint receipt for the gross weight, which I have to request you to endorse to my order and return to me. When I shall have ascertained the precise amount of your deposite, I will remit the Treasury draft, and the balance, which will probably be in your favor, we can adjust.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt Servt

To/ Geo. Curtis, Esq. Cashr
Bank of Commerce
N. York



~~Philad^a., M~~

Mint U.S.

June 7, 1845.

Sir,

I send enclosed a Mint receipt for the Mexican dollars transferred by you, on Treasury draft No 162, to the Treasurer of the Mint. We take this course, instead of sending on the draft itself, because we have considered that, as a Mint transaction, it was most proper to receive your silver as bullion, and account with you for the difference between the nominal and the true value, which will be ascertained by weight and assay. If you will return the receipt endorsed to the order of Isaac Roach, Treasurer of the Mint, he will send you the ~~draft gov~~ Treasury draft, and the balance which will no doubt be in your favor.

R. M. P.

D

To/

O. Thompson, Esq.

Cash^r. Bank of America.

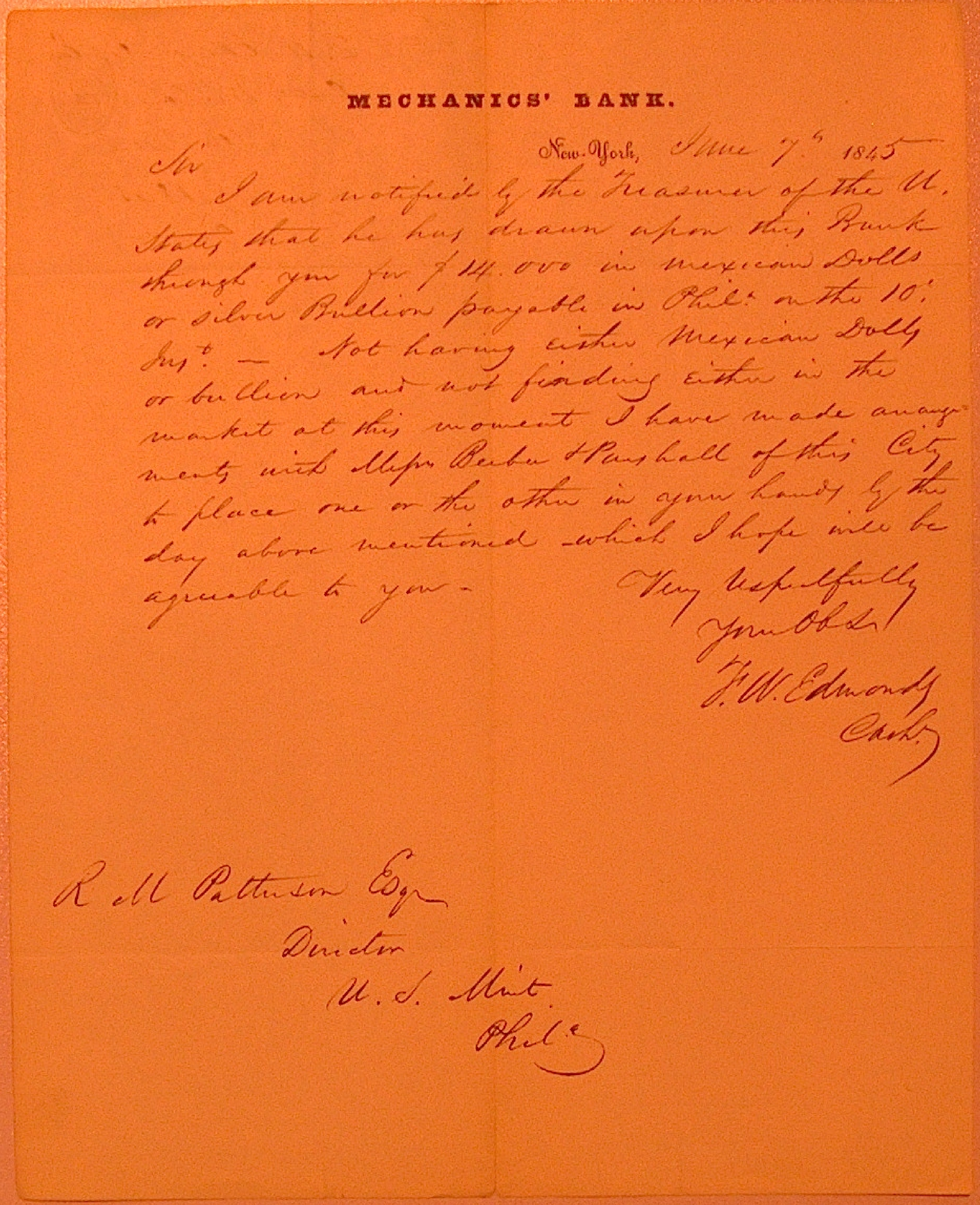
Mint U. S.
June 7. 1845.

Sir,

Enclosed you have receipt & memorandum of your deposite of the 5th inst.

R. M. P.
D.

To
J. M. Dodd, Esq.
Boston.



MECHANICS' BANK.

New-York, June 7th 1845

Sir

I am notified by the Treasurer of the U. States that he has drawn upon this Bank through you for $14.000 in Mexican Dolls or silver Bullion payable in Phila on the 10th Inst. — Not having either Mexican Dolls or bullion and not finding either in the market at this moment I have made arrangements with Messrs Beebe & Parshall of this City to place one or the other in your hands by the day above mentioned — which I hope will be agreeable to you —

Very respectfully
Your Obt Svt
F. W. Edmonds
Cashr

R M Patterson Esqr
Director
U. S. Mint
Phila

Mint of the United States
Treasurer's Office, June 7, 1848.

Sir,

I herewith forward you the weekly statement ending this day at a Depository of the public money accompanied by a cancelled voucher.

Very respectfully,
Yr. Obt. Servt.

To Wm. Selden, Esq.
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington

New York 7th June 1845

Dr Sirs

We have undertaken to
furnish the Mexican Dollars
for the Mechanics Bank Merchants
Bank & North River Bank and
shall forward all we can on
Monday to Parshall Bukeley
to be placed to their credit all
the Mexican Dollars have been
shipped which causes their scarcity
we could melt up half Dollars
& make Silver Bullion but that
is folly to think of as we can get
enough Mex Dollars to furnish
the whole in 8 or 10 days & shall probably
be ~~able~~ able to send 20 a 25 000 on
Monday — we can furnish the ½ Dolls
to meet the Drafts on the 10th & replace
them with Mexican Dollars in a

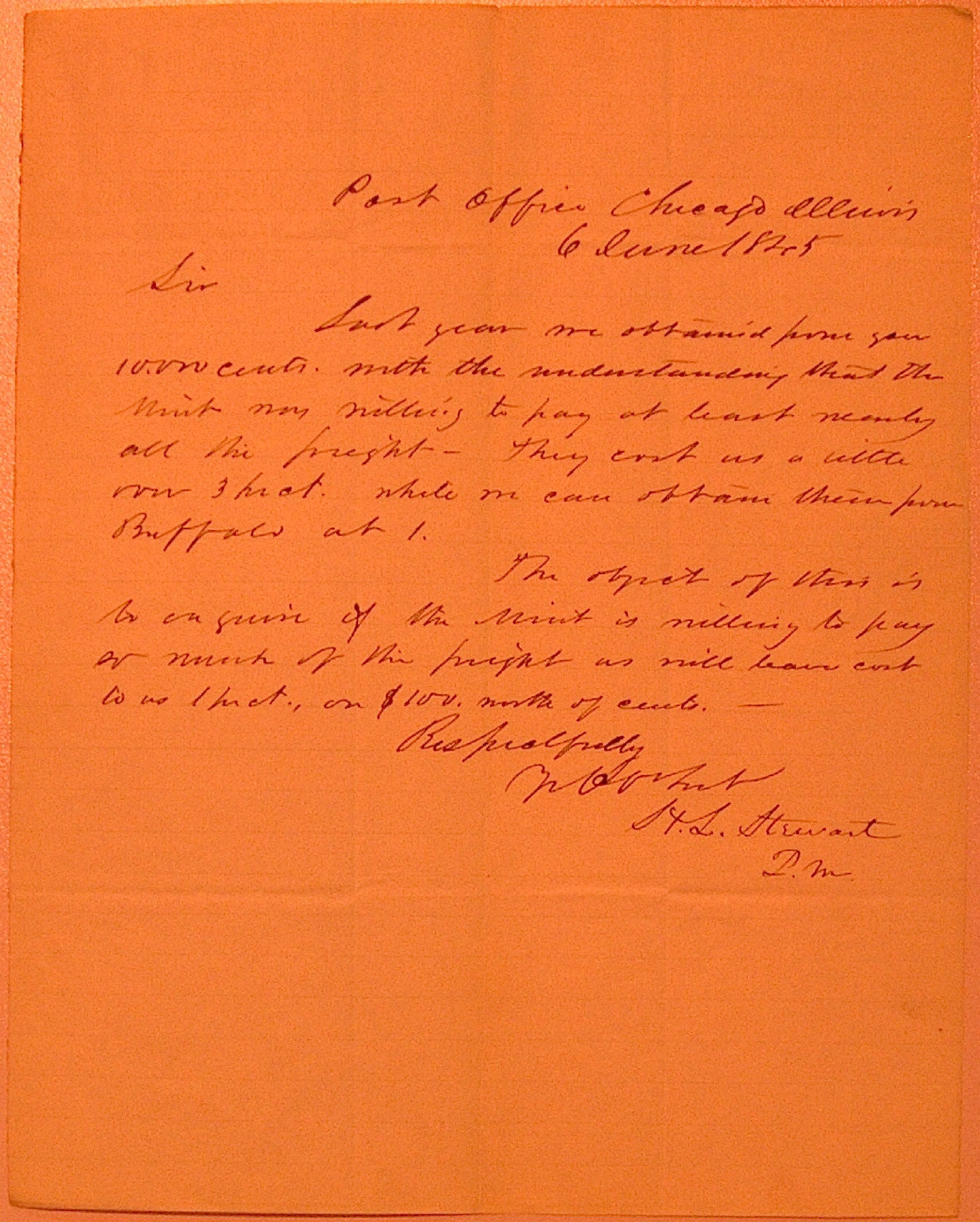
few days - my Brother (the writers Brother) will see you & make arrangements to honor the Drafts with ½ dollars what we are very full short in Mexican Dollars which ½ Dollars we will take up in a few Days and give the ment Mexican Dollars for them

We are very respectly

Your obt servts

Robert Marshall

Dr Patterson



Post Office Chicago Illinois
6 June 1845

Sir

Last year we obtained from you 10.000 cents. with the understanding that the Mint was willing to pay at least nearly all the freight – They cost us a little over 3 pr ct. while we can obtain them from Buffalo at 1.

The object of this is to enquire if the Mint is willing to pay so much of the freight as will leave cost to us 1 pr ct., on $100. worth of cents. —

Respectfully
Yr Obt Svt
H. L. Stewart
P. M.

Bank of Commerce in New York
June 6 1845

Sir,

Having been advised by the Treasurer of the United States that he has issued a transfer draft on us in your favor for $10.000 payable in Mexican dollars or silver bullion, ~~payable~~ in Phila on 10th Inst. I have this day forwarded the amount in Mexican dollars by Adams & Co's Express, contained in One keg and five boxes, to be delivered by them at the Mint.

On receipt of the same please transmit me the draft pr mail, duly receipted.

I am, Sir, very respectfully
Your obt servt
Geo. Curtis, Cas.

To the Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Bank of America
New York Jun 6. 1845

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint

Sir

We have been advised by the Treasurer U.S. of the issue of Transfer Dft. No. 162 in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint for $10 000 and payd on the 10th instant. Messrs Parshall Bubee & Co. tomorrow will deposit the amt. of the draft which please transmit to me by mail, receipted,

Very respy
J. Thompson
Cash.

Mint of the U.S.
Treasurer's Office, June 5th. 1845.

Sir,

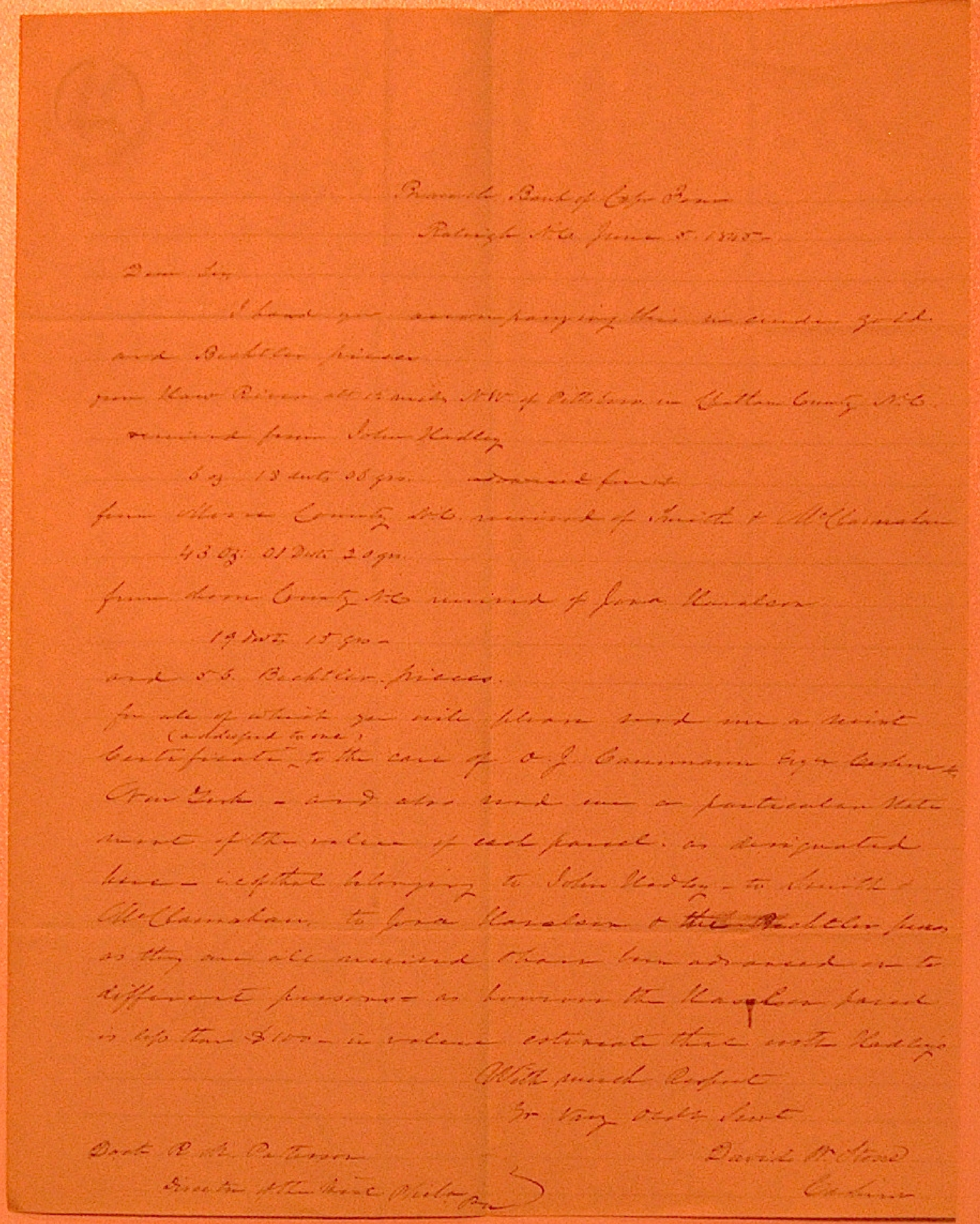
I have received from you, this day, the following transfer drafts made payable to my order on the 10th inst. in Mex. Dollars or Silver Bullion.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pd. June 10/45. | 159. | on the Bank of the State of New York at N.Y. | payable at Phila. | $9,000.— |
| Pd. June 10/45 | 160. | on the Mech. Bk. at New York, | do. | do ✓ 14,000.— |
| Pd. June 10/45. | 161. | on the Bank of Commerce at N.Y. | do | do ✓ 10,000.— |
| Pd. June 10/45. | 162. | on the Bank of America at N.Y. | do | do ✓ 10,000.— |
| Pd. June 10/45 | 163. | on the Am. Exchge. Bk. at N.Y. | do | do ✓ 7,000.— |
| Pd. June 10/45 | 164. | on the Merchants Bk. at New York | do | do ✓ 10,000.— |
| Pd. June 10/45. | 165. | on the North River Bk. at N.Y. | do | do ✓ 18,000.— |
| Pd. June 10/45. | 166 | on the Philadelphia Bk. at Phila. | do | do ✓ 17,000.— |
| Pd. June 10/45. | 167. | on the Bank of Commerce at Phila. | do | do ✓ 5,000.— |
| | | | | $100,000.— |

which sums, when received, will be placed to the credit of your account on the Books of this Institution.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) I. Roach
Treasurer.

To Wm. Selden Esq.,
(Treasurer of the U.S.)



Branch Bank of Cape Fear
Raleigh N.C. June 5. 1845

Dear Sir

I hand you accompanying this in under gold and Bechtler pieces

from Haw River abt 12 miles N.W. of Pittsboro in Chatham County N.C. received from John Hadley

6 oz 13 dwts 08 grs. [illegible] fine

from Moore County N.C. received of Smith & McClenahan

43 Oz. 01 Dwts 20 grs.

from Anson County N.C. received of Jona Haralson

19 Dwts 15 grs.

and 56 Bechtler pieces.

for all of which you will please send me a Mint Certificate (addressed to me) to the care of O. J. Cammann Esqr Cashier New York — and also send me a particular statement of the value of each parcel as designated here — i.e. of that belonging to John Hadley — to Smith & McClenahan, to Jona Haralson & ~~the~~ Bechtler pieces as they are all received & have been advanced on to different persons — as however the Haralson parcel is less than $100 — in value estimate that with Hadley's

With much Respect
Yr Very Obdt Servt
David W. Stone
Cashier

Doct. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint Philada

Mint of the United States,
June 4, 1845.

Sir,

Enclosed you have receipts and memorandums of the deposites made on the 2d inst. in the names of yourself & Wm. A. Williams.

Very resp.

R. M. P.
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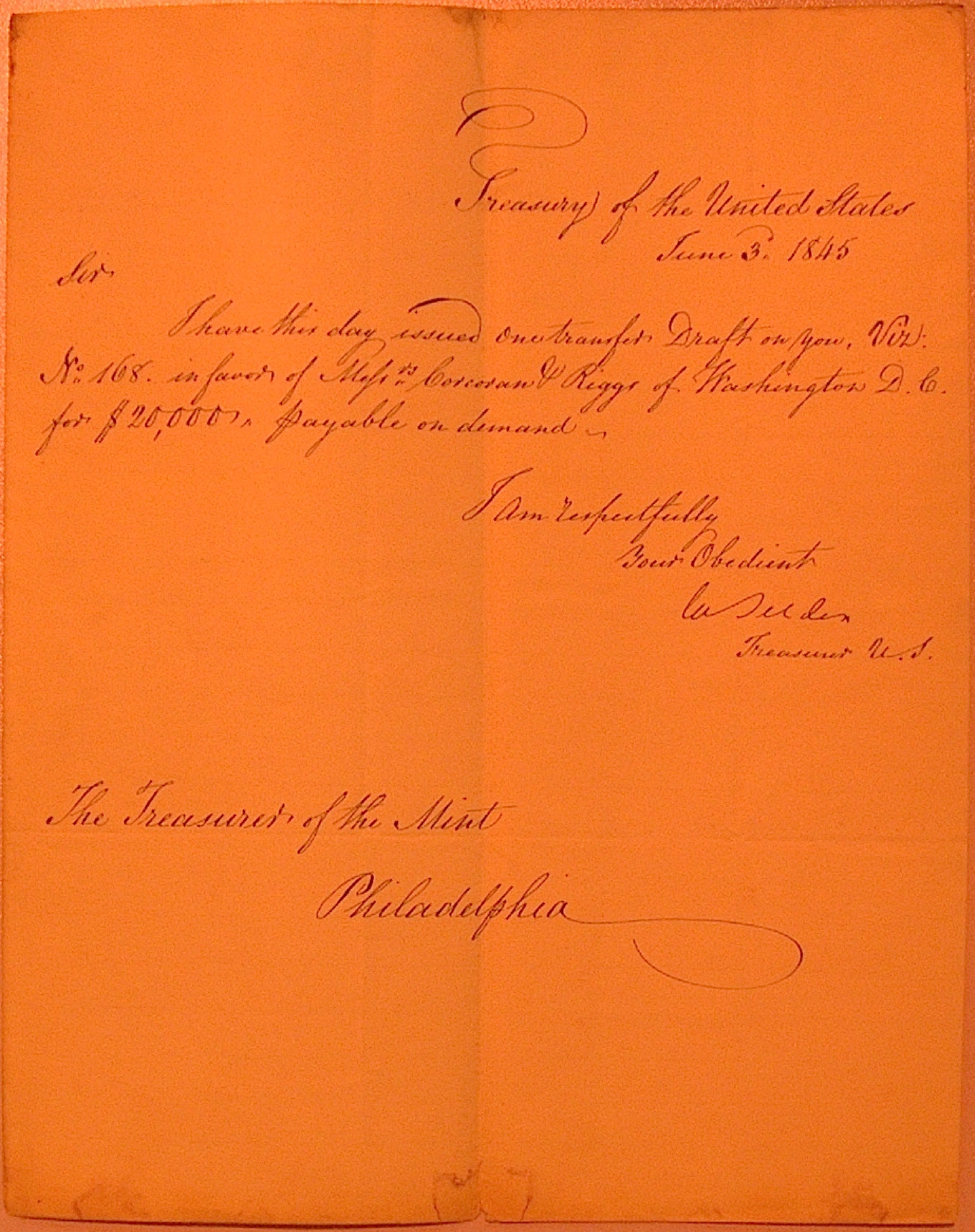
To Wm. A. Lucas, Esq.
Cash. Br. Bk. N. C.
Charlotte, N.C.



Treasury of the United States
June 3. 1845

Sir

I have this day issued one transfer Draft on you, Viz: No. 168. in favor of Messrs. Corcoran & Riggs of Washington D. C. for $20,000 — payable on demand —

I am respectfully
Your Obedient
W Selden
Treasurer U. S.

The Treasurer of the Mint

Philadelphia

Treasury of the United States
3$^{d}$ June 1845

Sir

Enclosed you will receive Nine transfer Drafts, Viz:

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| N$^{o}$ 159. | on the Bank of the State of Newyork at N.Y. payable at Philadelphia on the 10$^{th}$ instant for - - - - | | | 9,000 - - |
| " 160. | on the Mech$^{cs}$ Bank at Newyork, pay$^{ble}$ same time & place, | | | 14,000 - |
| " 161. | on the Bank of Commerce at D$^{o}$ | D$^{o}$ | D$^{o}$ | 10,000 - |
| " 162. | on the Bank of America at D$^{o}$ | " | " | 10,000 - |
| " 163. | on the Am$^{n}$ Exch. Bank at D$^{o}$ | " | " | 7,000 - |
| " 164. | on the Merchants Bank at D$^{o}$ | " | " | 10,000 - |
| " 165. | on the North River Bank at D$^{o}$ | " | " | 18,000 - |
| " 166. | on the Philadelphia Bank at Ph$^{a}$ | " | " | 17,000 - |
| " 167. | on the Bank of Commerce at Philad$^{a}$ | " | " | 5000 - |
| | | | | $ 100.000 - |

all payable in Mexican Dollars, or Silver Bullion -
which sums you will be pleased to place to the credit of my Account on the Books of your Institution

I am respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
W Selden
Treas$^{r}$ U. S.

The Treasurer of the Mint
at Philadelphia

Boston June 3 1845

Mr R M Patterson
Director

Dr Sir

I send one box containing Mexican Dollars weighing 865 oz 10/10 which please to have recoined in to Dimes as early as you can and you will much oblidge yours.

Respectfully
J. M. Dodd

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
June 3d 1845.

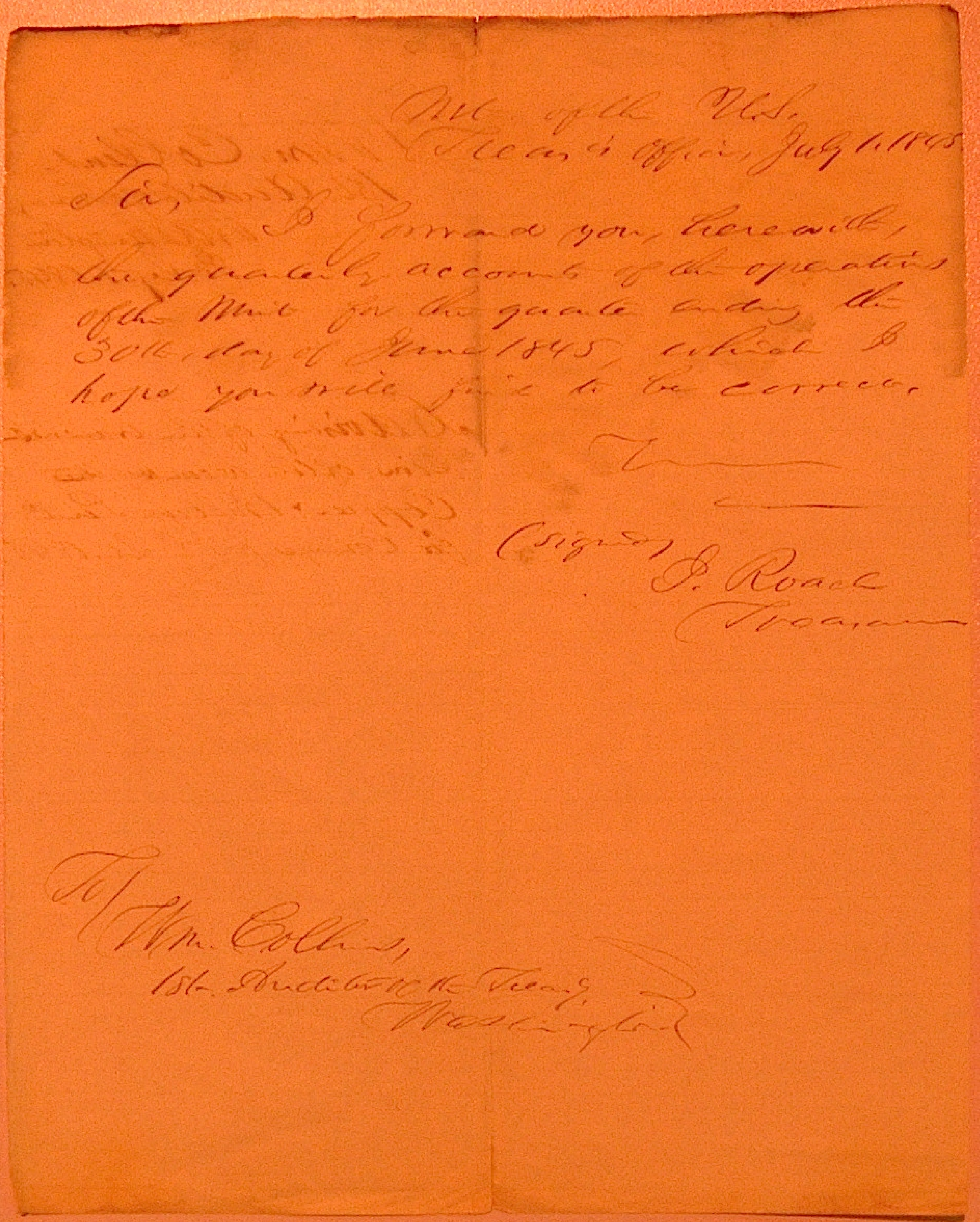
Sir,

Your accounts of Copper Coinage, for the 4th quarter of 1844, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 4829.52 stated to be due from you to the U. States.

Very Respectfully
Your obt Svt.

J. McCulloh
Comptroller

Isaac Roach Esqre
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.



Mint of the U.S.
Treasr's Office, July 1, 1845

Sir,

I forward you, herewith, the quarterly accounts of the operations of the Mint for the quarter ending the 30th day of June 1845, which I hope you will find to be correct.

(signed) I. Roach
Treasurer

To
Wm. Collins,
1st. Auditor of the Treasy,
Washington

Philadelphia, July 1845

United States Mint

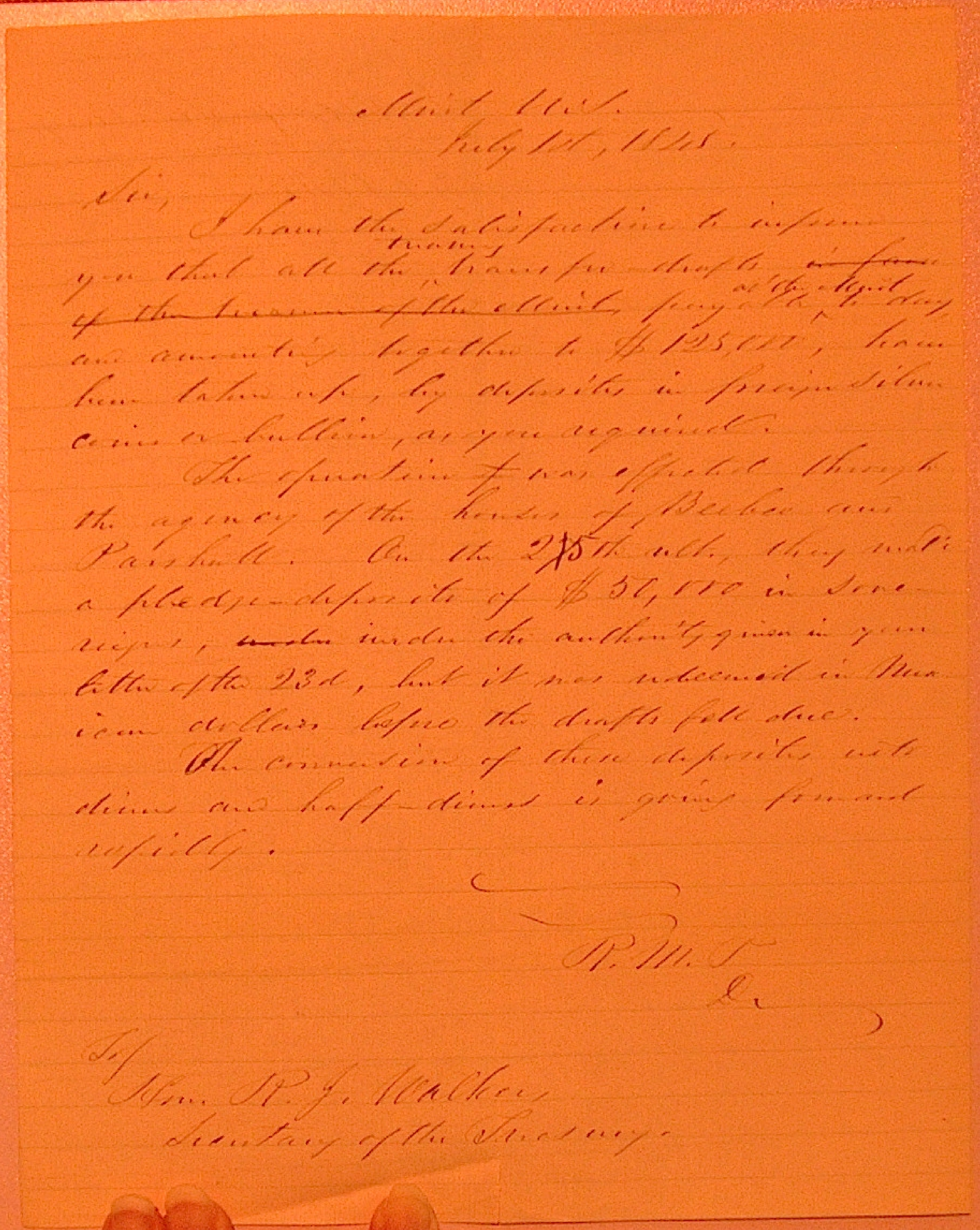
Dr. To SIMON MUDGE, No. 246, Market Street.

Collector of TAXES for Middle Ward, for 1845

| | VALUATION. | COUNTY, 50 cts. per $100. | STATE, 30 cts. per $100. | POOR, 20 cts. per $100 | DOLLARS. | CENTS. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| One Marble Building & Lot 150 feet front by 200 feet Deep on Juniper St. | 74.000 | 370.00 | 222.00 | 148.00 | $740 | 00 |

Received Payment in full.

Collector.



Mint U.S.
July 1st, 1848.

Sir,

I have the satisfaction to inform you that all the treasury transfer drafts ~~in favor of the treasurer of the Mint~~, payable at the Mint to-day, and amounting together to $125,000, have been taken up, by deposits in foreign silver coins or bullion, as you required.

The operation was effected through the agency of the house of Beebee and Parshall. On the 25th ult., they made a pledge-deposit of $50,000 in Sovereigns, ~~made~~ under the authority given in your letter of the 23d, but it was redeemed in Mexican dollars before the drafts fell due.

The conversion of these deposits into dimes and half-dimes is going forward rapidly.

R. M. P.

To/
Hon. R. J. Walker
Secretary of the Treasury.

Mint U.S.
July 1/45

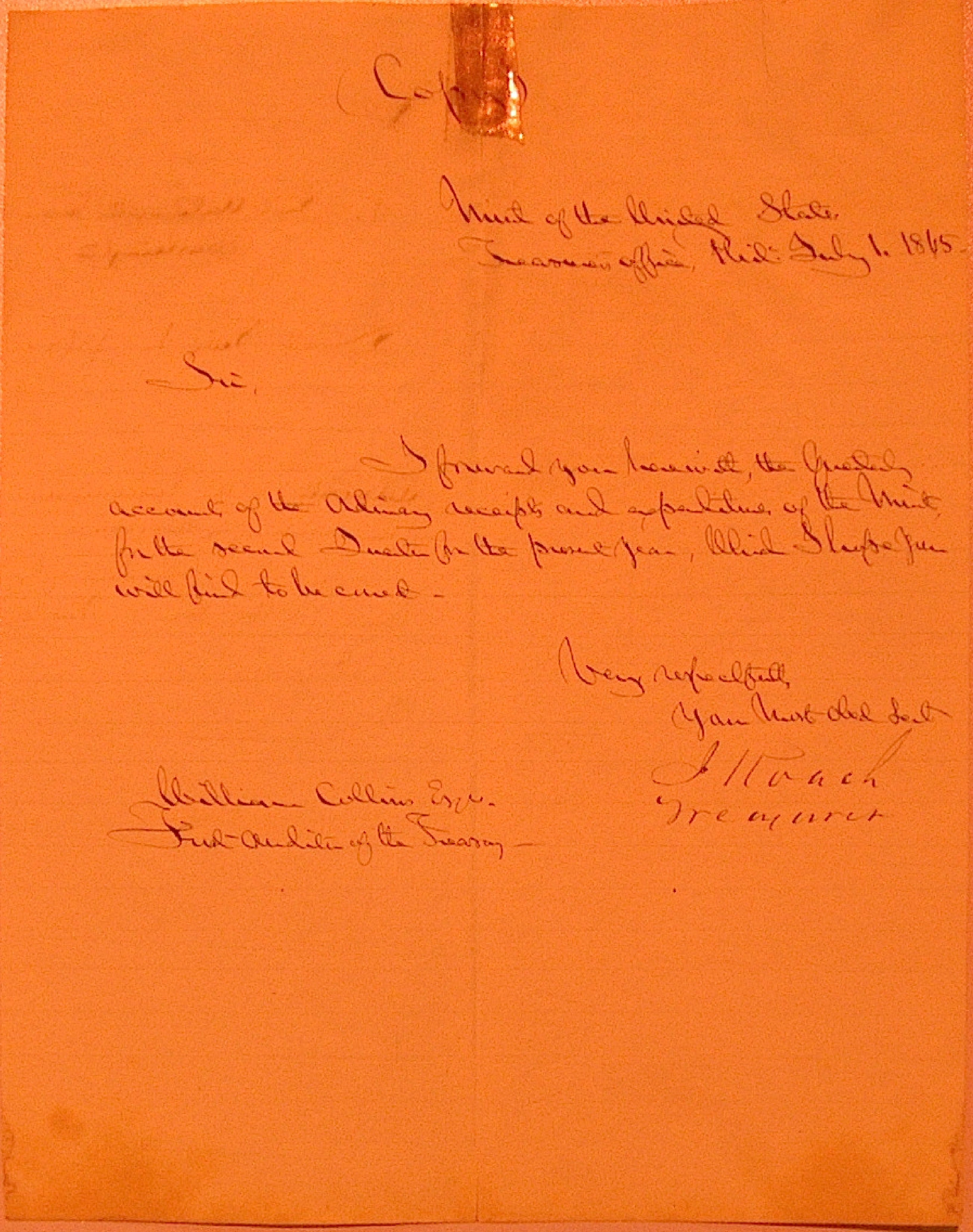
Sir,

I have the honor to send herewith the official bond of Mr Robert Patterson appointed as Director's Clerk, with the approbation of the President, to fill the place made vacant by the resignation of Mr George F. Dunning.

The Sureties, Mr Kane and Mr Leiper, are gentlemen whose responsibility is known to yourself.

R. M. Patterson,
Dr

To
Hon. R. J. Walker
Sec. of Treasy.



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Mint of the United States
Treasurer's office, Phila. July 1. 1845.

Sir,

I forward you herewith, the Quarterly account of the Ordinary receipts and expenditures of the Mint, for the second Quarter for the present year, which I hope you will find to be correct —

Very respectfully,
Your Most Obed. Servt.
I Roach
Treasurer

William Collins Esqr.
First Auditor of the Treasury —

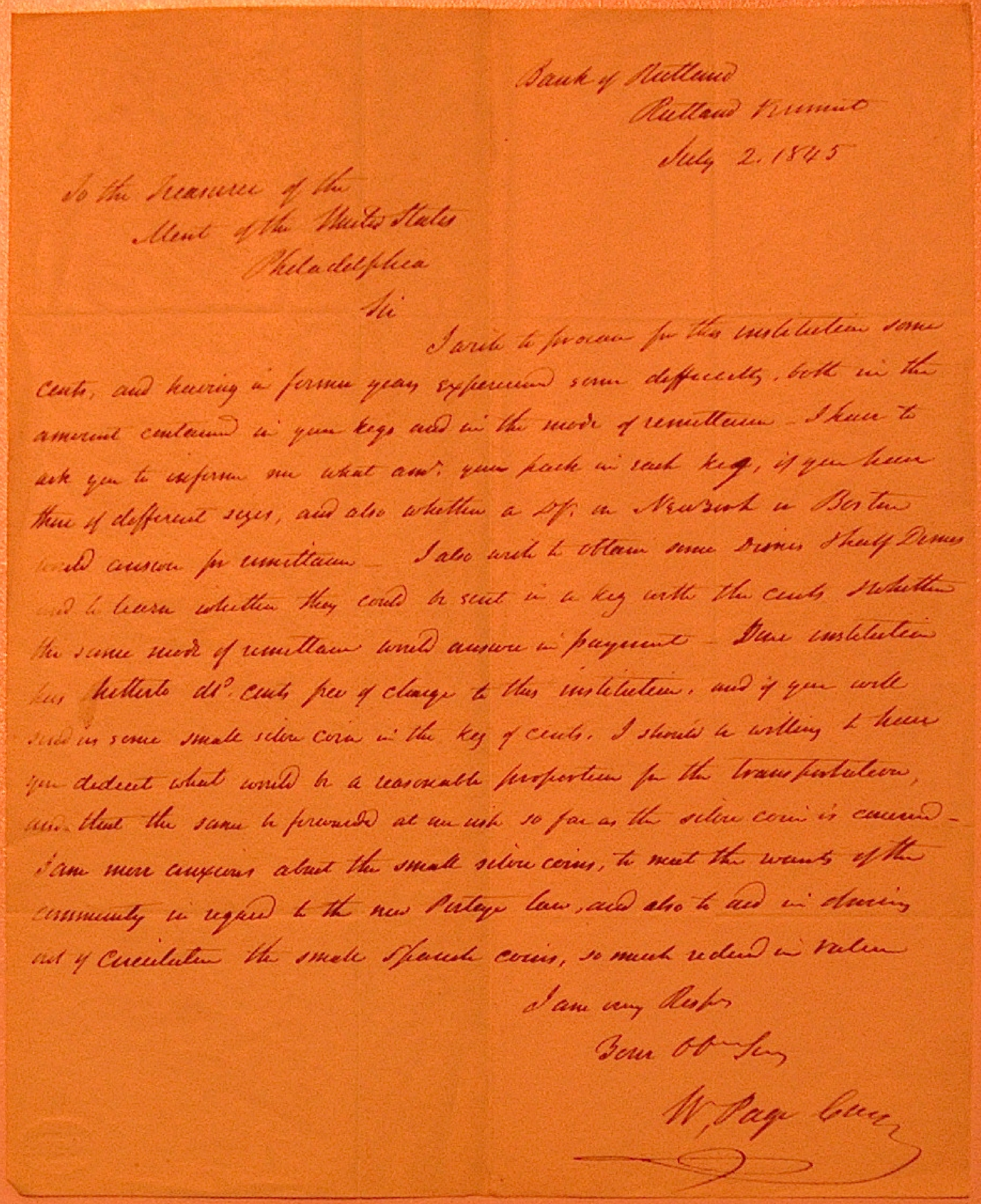
Mint of the United States
July 2nd, 1845.

Gentlemen;

On the 18th ult; I advised you that we had received from you an invoice of 24 kegs of copper planchets, "without bill of lading or other notice". We are still without information regarding this invoice, and I have therefore to ask that you will communicate it to us. As we are ready to pay the amount we wish for a bill receipted, and for instructions where you wish the cents to be forwarded.

Very respectfully,
your faithful servant.
R.M.P.

To/
Mess. Crocker, Bros. &Co
Taunton, Mass.



Bank of Rutland
Rutland Vermont
July 2. 1845

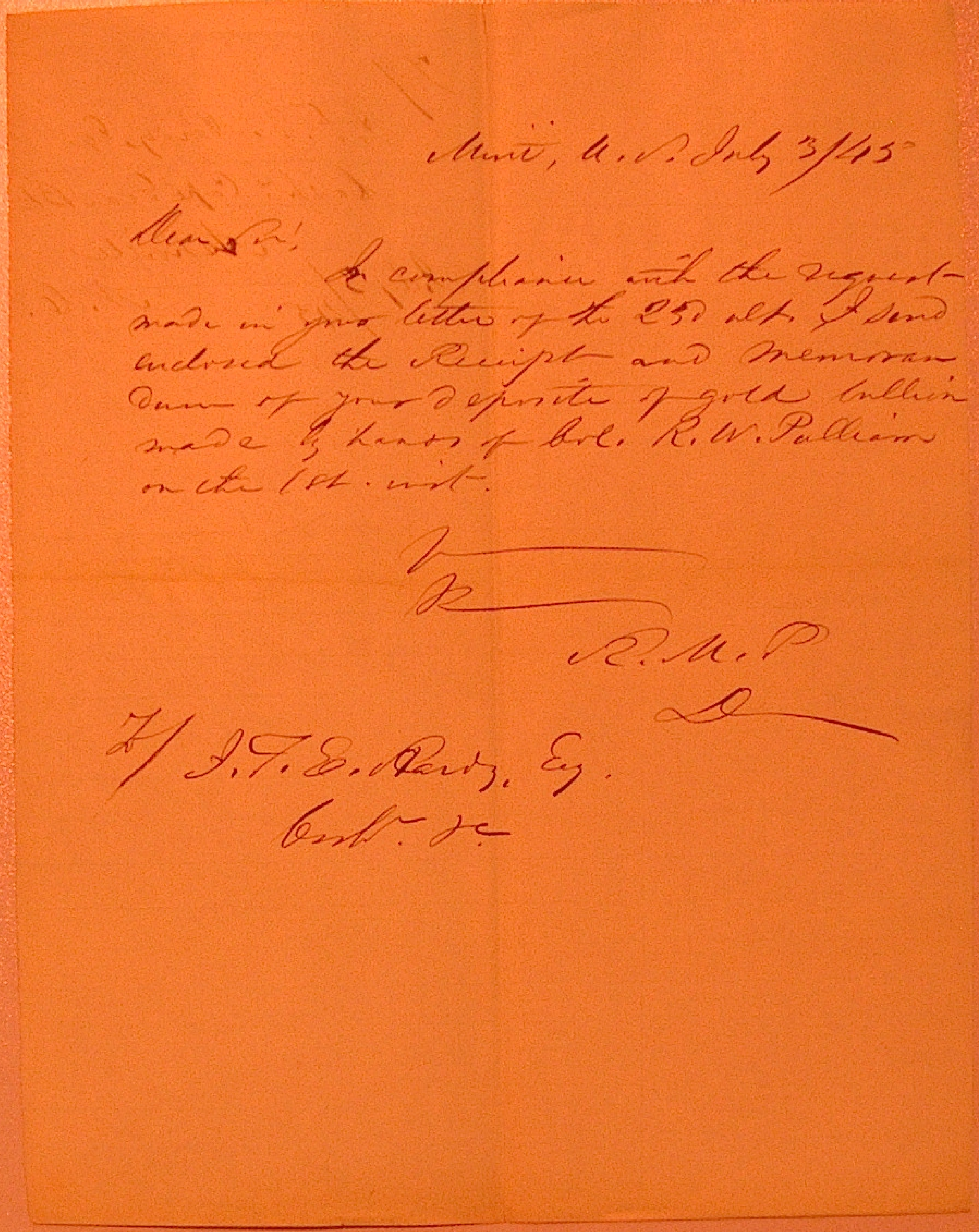
To the Treasurer of the
Mint of the United States
Philadelphia

Sir

I wish to procure for this institution some cents, and having in former years experienced some difficulty, both in the amount contained in your kegs and in the mode of remittance - I have to ask you to inform me what amt. you pack in each keg, if you have them of different sizes, and also whether a Dft. on New York or Boston would answer for remittance - I also wish to obtain some Dimes & Half Dimes and to learn whether they could be sent in a keg with the cents & whether the same mode of remittance would answer in payment - Your institution has hitherto dd. cents free of charge to this institution, and if you will send in some small silver coin in the keg of cents, I should be willing to have you deduct what would be a reasonable proportion for the transportation, and that the same be forwarded at our risk so far as the silver coin is concerned - I am more anxious about the small silver coins, to meet the wants of the community in regard to the new Postage law, and also to aid in driving out of Circulation the small Spanish coins, so much reduced in value

I am very Respy
Your Obt. Servt

W. Page Cashr



Mint, U. S. July 3/45

Dear Sir!

In compliance with the request made in your letter of the 25th ult. I send enclosed the Receipt and Memorandum of your deposite of gold bullion made by hands of Col. R. W. Pulliam on the 1st. inst.

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R. M. P
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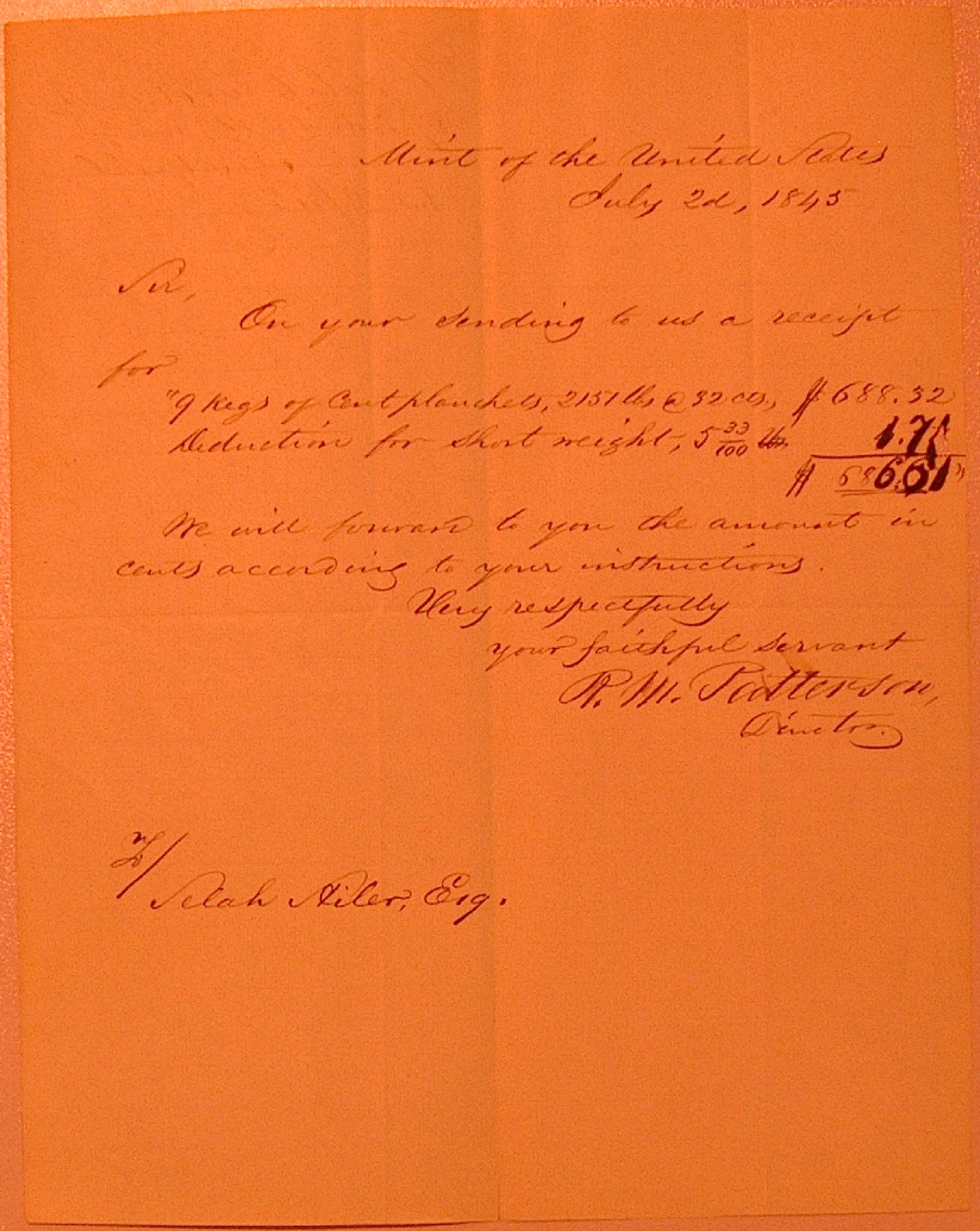
To J. F. E. Hardy, Esq.
Cashr. &c



Mint of the United States
July 2d, 1845

Sir,

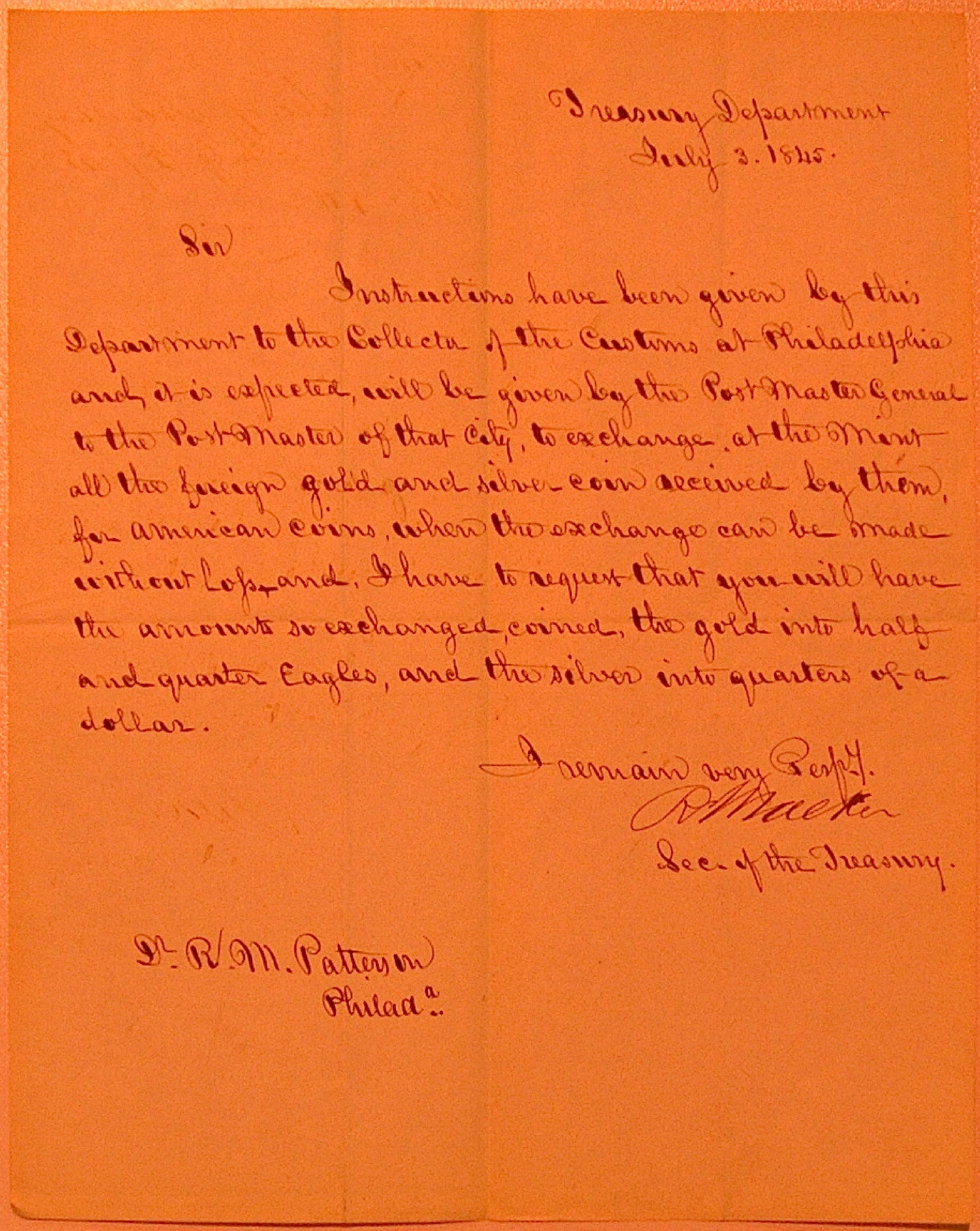
On your sending to us a receipt for

"9 kegs of Cent planchets, 2151 lbs @ 32 cts, $ 688.32
Deduction for short weight, $5\frac{33}{100}$ lbs 1.71
$ 686.61"

We will forward to you the amount in cents according to your instructions.

Very respectfully
your faithful servant
R. M. Patterson,
Director

To/
Selah Hiler, Esq.



Treasury Department
July 3. 1845.

Sir

Instructions have been given by this Department to the Collector of the Customs at Philadelphia and, it is expected, will be given by the Post Master General to the Post Master of that City, to exchange, at the Mint all the foreign gold and silver coin received by them, for American coins, when the exchange can be made without Loſs, and, I have to request that you will have the amounts so exchanged, coined, the gold into half and quarter Eagles, and the silver into quarters of a dollar.

I remain very Respy.
R J Walker
Sec. of the Treasury.

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Philada.

Mint U. S. July 3, 1845

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint for three hundred dollars, ($300.) being the amount of the appropriation for the current year "for specimens of ores and coins to be reserved at the Mint"

R. M. P.

To Hon. R. J. Walker
Sec. of Treasury.

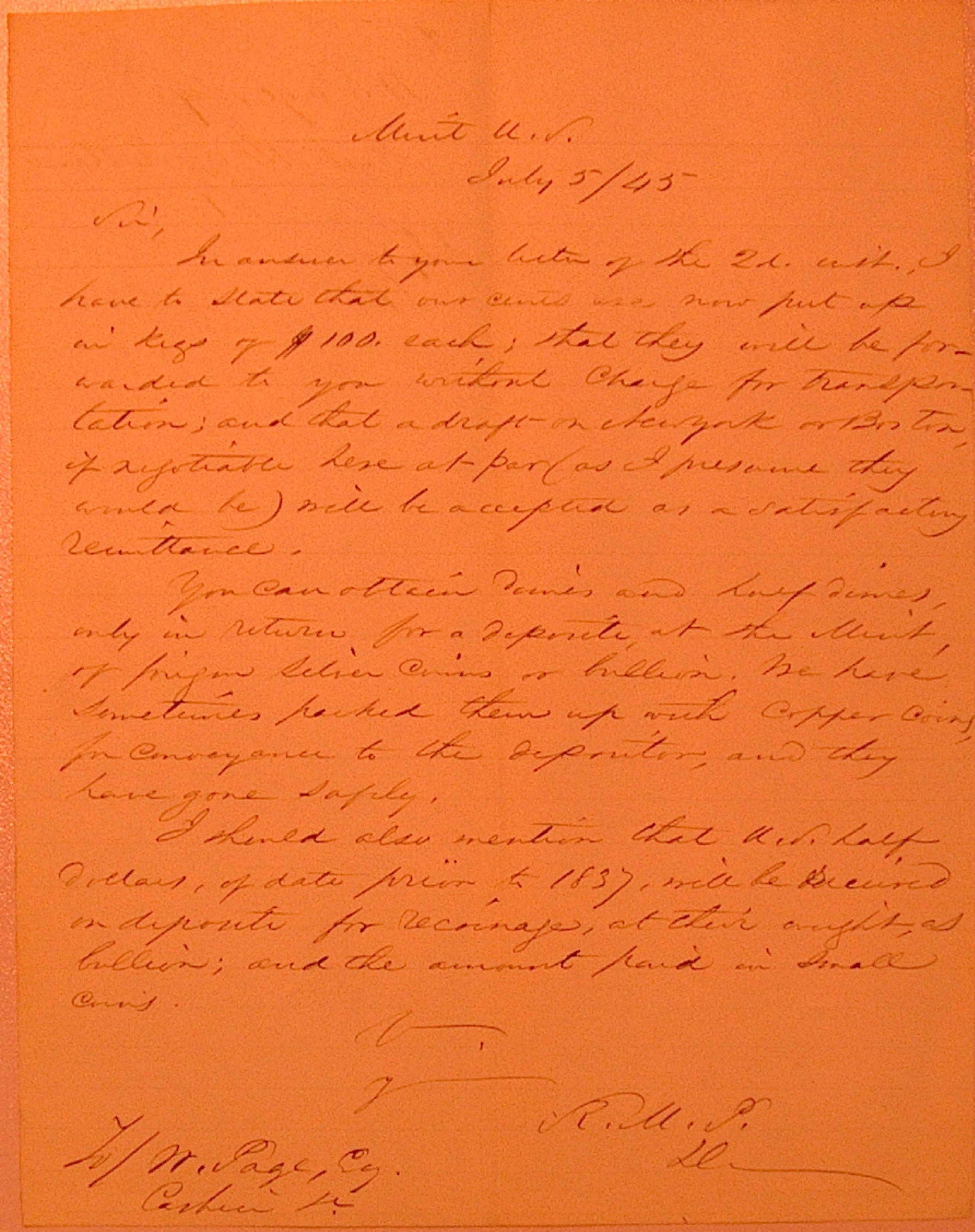
Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
July 5th 1845

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion, Copper & Ordinary Expense Accounts for the Quarter ending 30th June 1845 —

With due respect
Your Obt Servant
Jno. Underwood
Act. Aud.

Isaac Roach Esq.
Treasurer &c
Philadelphia



Mint U. S.
July 5/45

Sir,

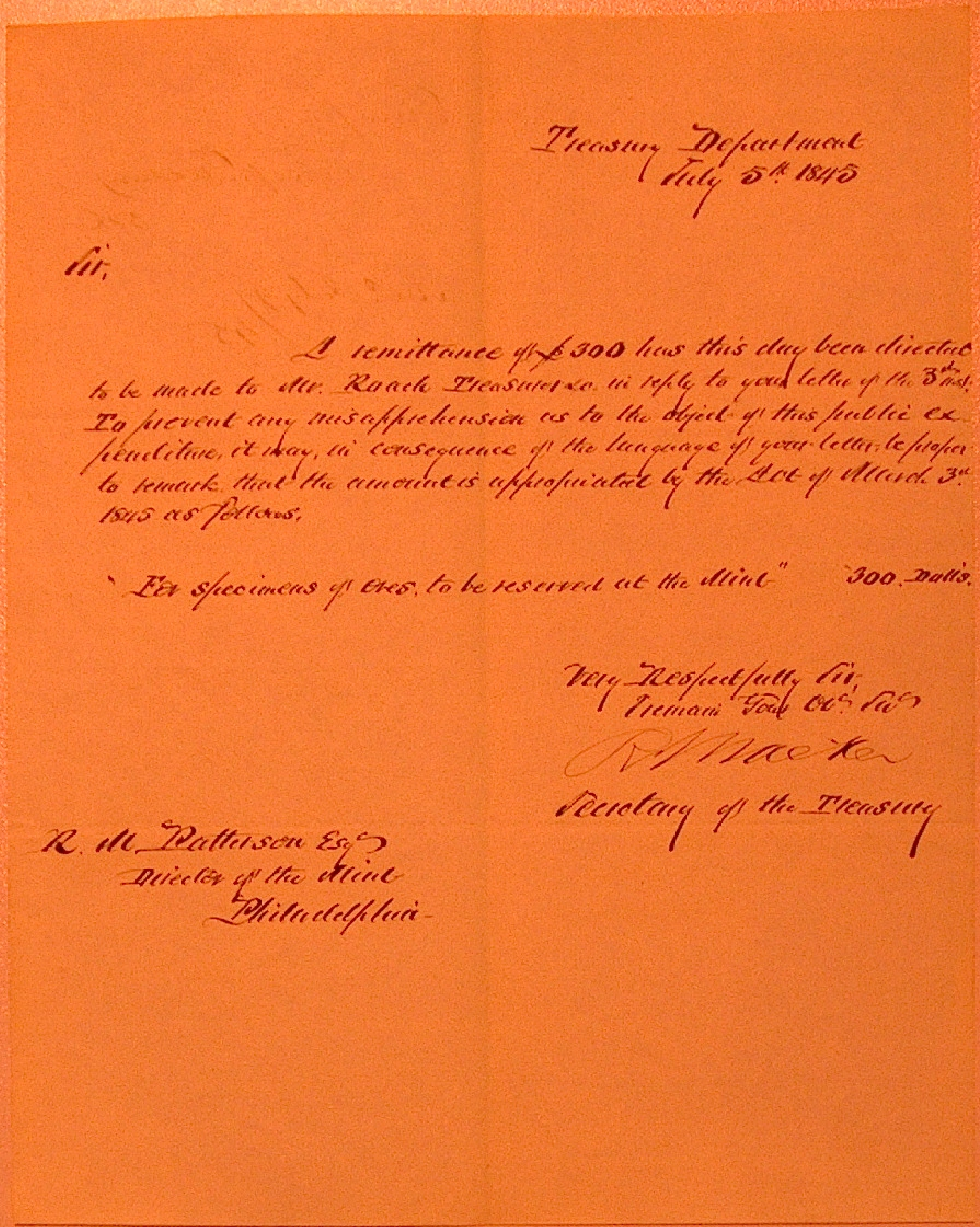
In answer to your letter of the 2d. ult., I have to state that our cents are now put up in kegs of $100. each; that they will be forwarded to you without charge for transportation; and that a draft on New York or Boston, if negotiable here at par (as I presume they would be) will be accepted as a satisfactory remittance.

You can obtain dimes and half dimes, only in return for a deposite, at the Mint, of foreign silver coins or bullion. We have sometimes packed them up with copper coins for conveyance to the depositor, and they have gone safely.

I should also mention that U. S. half dollars, of date prior to 1837, will be received on deposite for recoinage, at their weight, as bullion; and the amount paid in small coins.

R. M. P.

J. W. Page, Esq.
Cashier &c.



Treasury Department
July 5th 1845

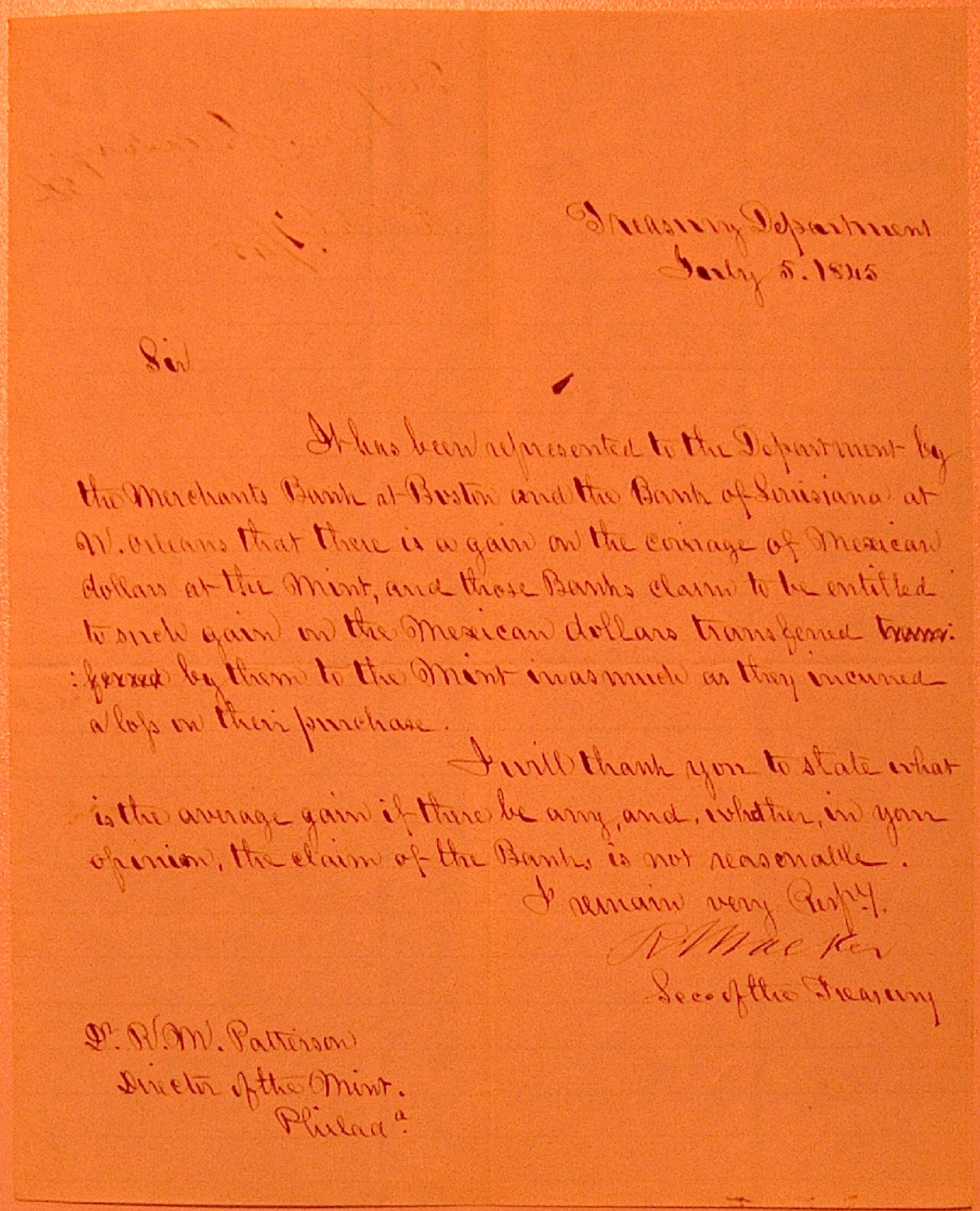
Sir,

A remittance of $300 has this day been directed to be made to Mr. Roach Treasurer &c. in reply to your letter of the 3d inst. To prevent any misapprehension as to the object of this public expenditure, it may, in consequence of the language of your letter, be proper to remark that the amount is appropriated by the Act of March 3d 1845 as follows,

"For specimens of Ores, to be reserved at the Mint" 300. Dolls.

Very Respectfully Sir,
Your Obt. Servt.
R J Walker
Secretary of the Treasury

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia



Treasury Department
July 5. 1845

Sir

It has been represented to the Department by the Merchants Bank at Boston and the Bank of Louisiana at N. Orleans that there is a gain on the coinage of Mexican dollars at the Mint, and those Banks claim to be entitled to such gain on the Mexican dollars transferred transferred by them to the Mint inasmuch as they incurred a loss on their purchase.

I will thank you to state what is the average gain if there be any, and, whether, in your opinion, the claim of the Banks is not reasonable.

I remain very Respy.
R J Walker
Sec. of the Treasury

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint.
Philada.

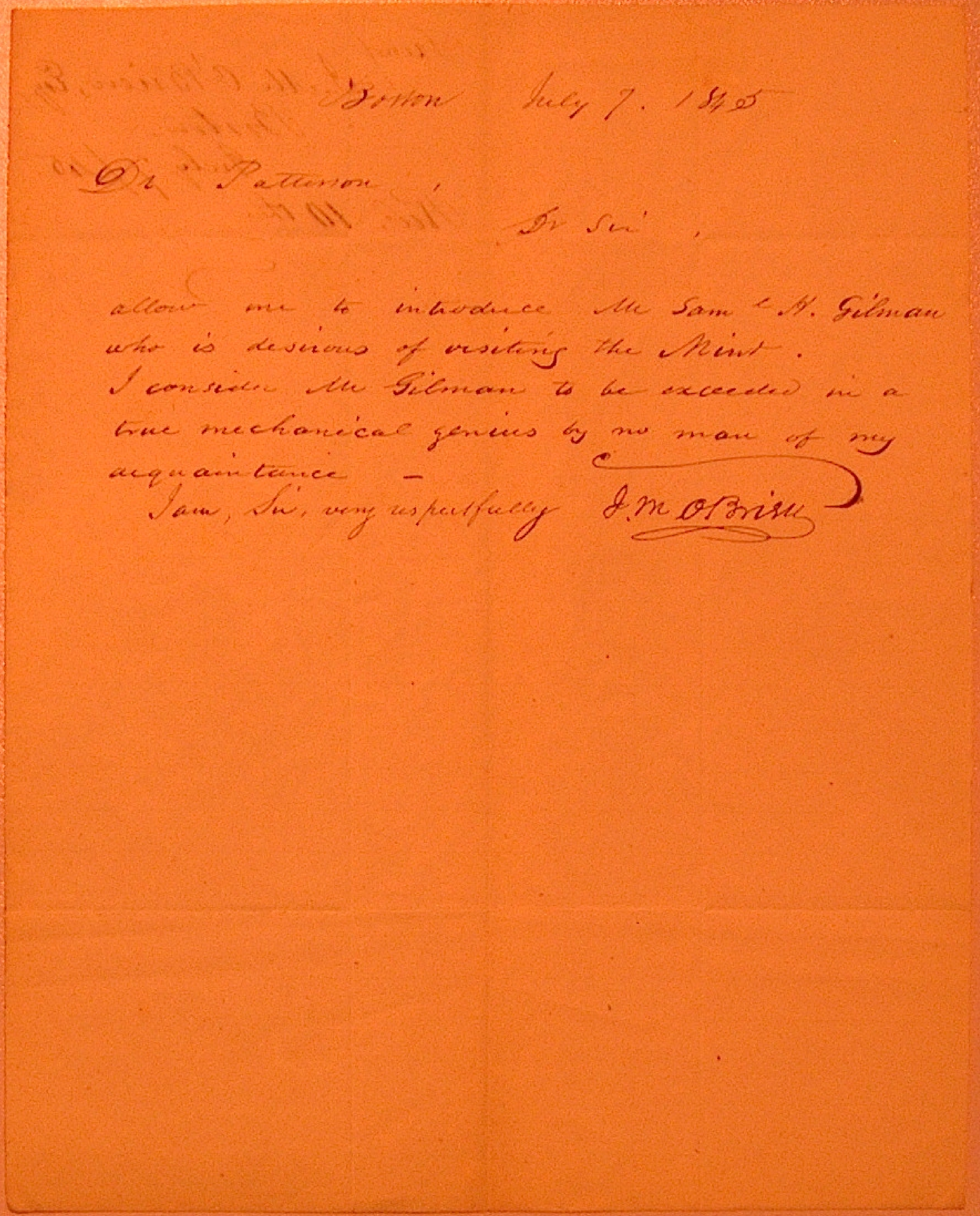
Taunton July 5th 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U.S. Mint.
Dear Sir.

Annexed we hand bill of 24 Kegs Planchets, shipped p Sch. Massasoit, amounting to $1.843/20. for which we will thank you to forward cert as heretofore to Messrs. A. J. Willets New York —

We think it proper to remark, that this parcel was taken from our store-house by mistake, & without our knowledge until advised by you — our clerk having forwarded the invo. to you — if as we understand he was receiving —

Yours
Very Respectfully
Crocker Bros & Co



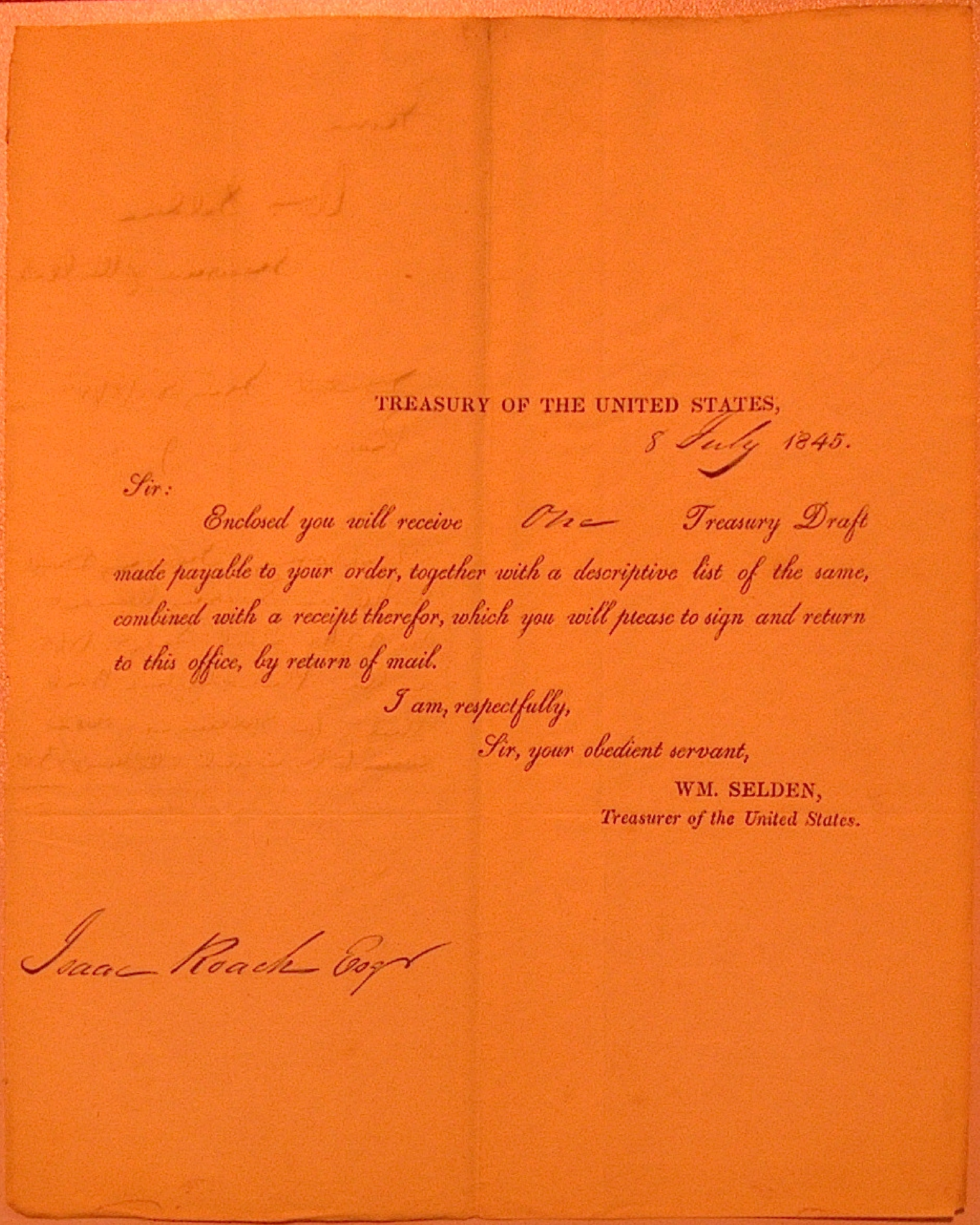
Boston July 7. 1845

Dr Patterson,

Dr Sir,

allow me to introduce Mr Saml H. Gilman who is desirous of visiting the Mint.
I consider Mr Gilman to be exceeded in a true mechanical genius by no man of my acquaintance –

I am, Sir, very respectfully J. M. O'Brien



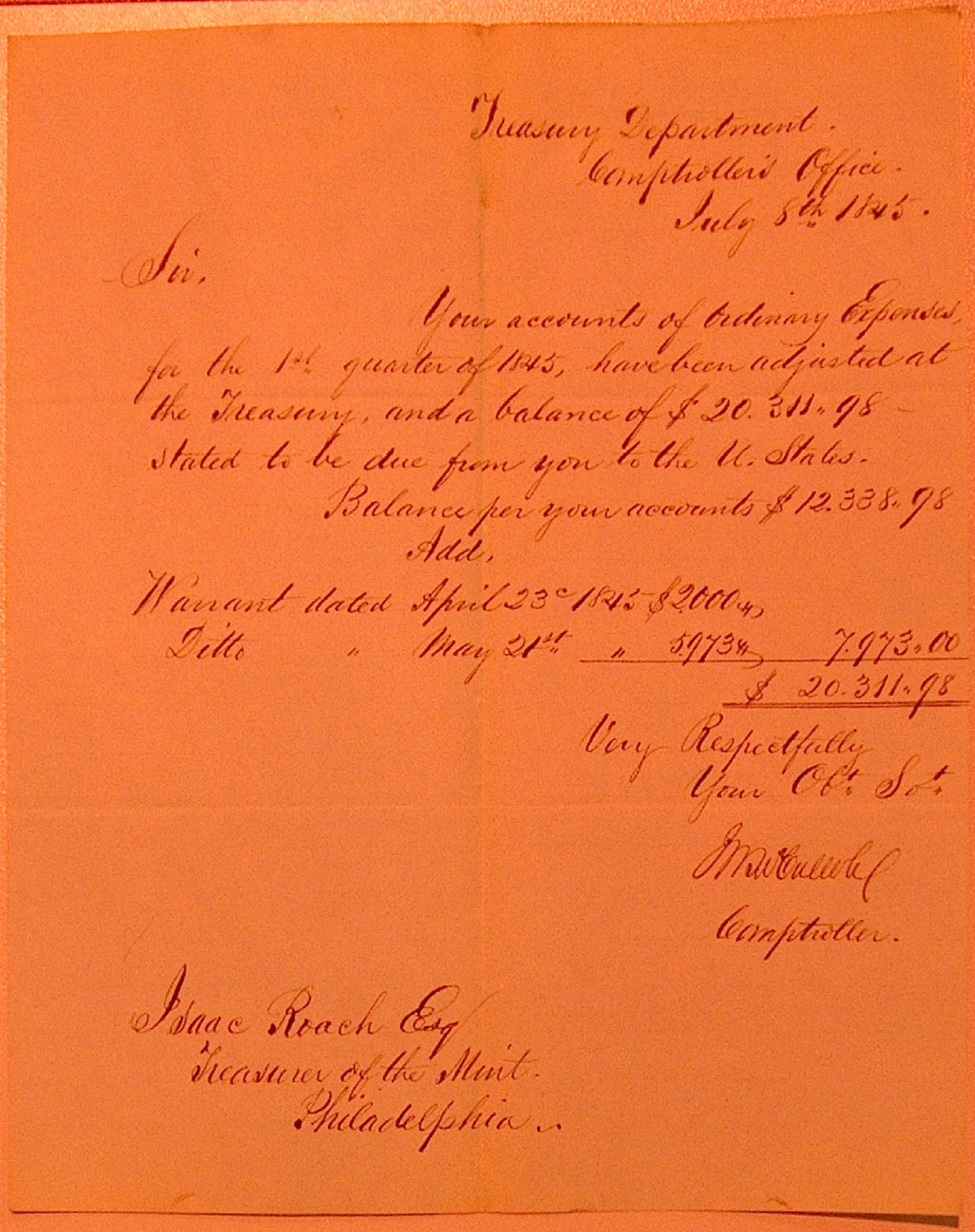
TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,
8 July 1845.

*Sir:*

*Enclosed you will receive* One *Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.*

*I am, respectfully,*
*Sir, your obedient servant,*
WM. SELDEN,
*Treasurer of the United States.*

Isaac Roach Esq



Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
July 8th 1845.

Sir,

Your accounts of Ordinary Expenses, for the 1st quarter of 1845, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 20.311.98 stated to be due from you to the U. States.

Balance per your accounts $ 12.338.98
Add.
Warrant dated April 23d 1845 $2000.—
Ditto " May 21st " 5973.— 7.973.00
$ 20.311.98

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svt
J McCulloch
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

Bank of Rutland Vt
July 9. 1845

R. M. Patterson Esq. Director Mint

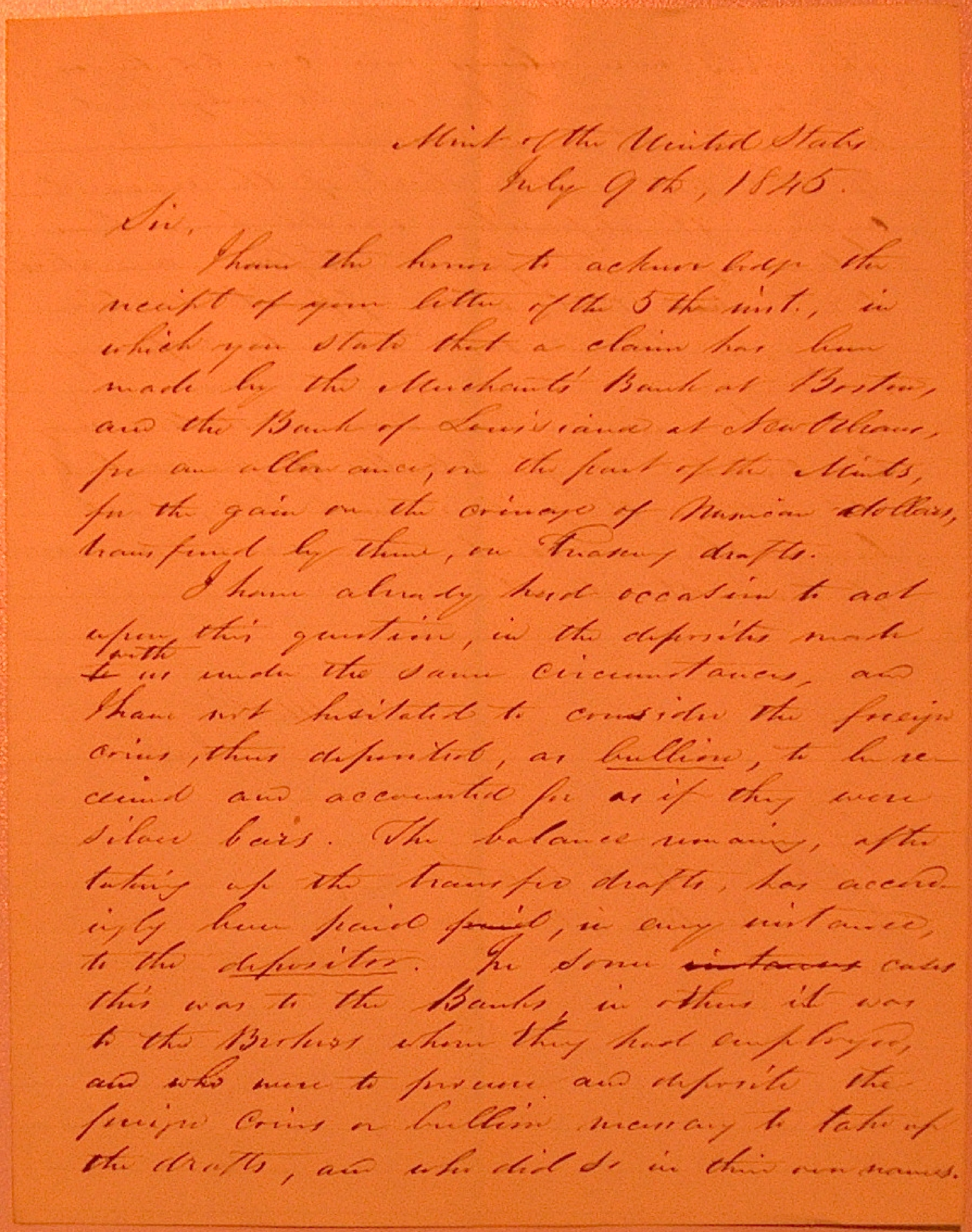
Sir

Above you have my check pay. at the Merchts Bank in the City of New York for 100 Dolls for which please to send me a Keg of Cents of that value, by way of New York, Albany, Champlain Canal & Whitehall N.Y. I mention this route as the best one by which to send, we being but 25 miles from Whitehall with daily communication by Stage, & teams constantly going. I was in hopes that a remittance by Dft would enable you to send on the small coin, and if adding 1 pr Ct to a Dft. for that purpose would answer I would send it. & ask you to keep the cents until you could write me again, that I might forward a Dft. for that purpose. If it cannot be done, please to send the cents at once.

I am very Respy

W Page Ca

Please to send last coinage —



Mint of the United States
July 9th, 1845.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th inst., in which you state that a claim has been made by the Merchants' Bank at Boston, and the Bank of Louisiana at New Orleans, for an allowance, on the part of the Mints, for the gain on the coinage of Mexican dollars, transferred by them, on Treasury drafts.

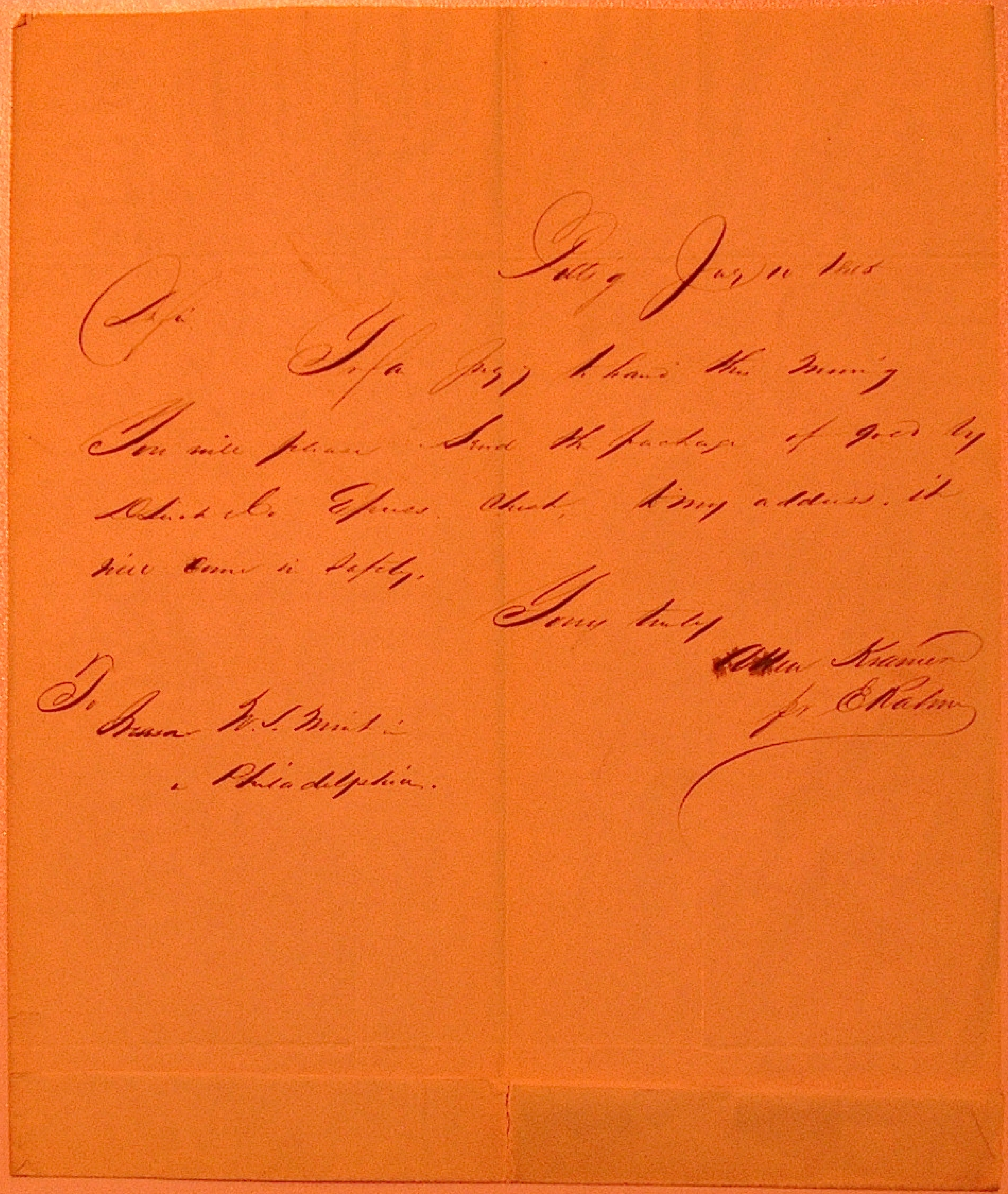
I have already had occasion to act upon this question, in the deposites made ~~to~~ with us under the same circumstances, and I have not hesitated to consider the foreign coins, thus deposited, as *bullion*, to be received and accounted for as if they were silver bars. The balance remaining, after taking up the transfer drafts, has accordingly been paid ~~paid~~, in every instance, to the *depositor*. In some ~~instances~~ cases this was to the Banks, in others it was to the Brokers whom they had employed, and who were to procure and deposite the foreign coins or bullion necessary to take up the drafts, and who did so in their own names.

The coins were ~~always~~ never counted by us, but were received by weight ~~only~~ and assay, exactly as we receive other bullion. If they had fallen short of the required amount, the depositor would have been held responsible for the deficit, and it is but justice that, in the opposite contingency, he should have advantage of any excess.

The gain on new Mexican dollars may be estimated at 7 or 8 tenths ~~of~~ per cent. On old dollars, the gain is ~~much~~ less, both because they are lighter from wear, and are of lower standard.

R. M. P.
Dr

To/
Hon. R. J. Walker
Secretary of the Treasury



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Sirs

Yrs of Jany 20 to hand this morning

You will please send the package of gold by Adams & Co Express charged to my address. it will come in safely.

Yours truly

Allen Kramer

pr E Kahn

To Messrs U.S. Mint in

Philadelphia.

M # 367. 100.

pr Jacob Metz,
Wooster, Ohio.

Recd July 12 pr Bingham Hunt & Co
per J Harvey Jr

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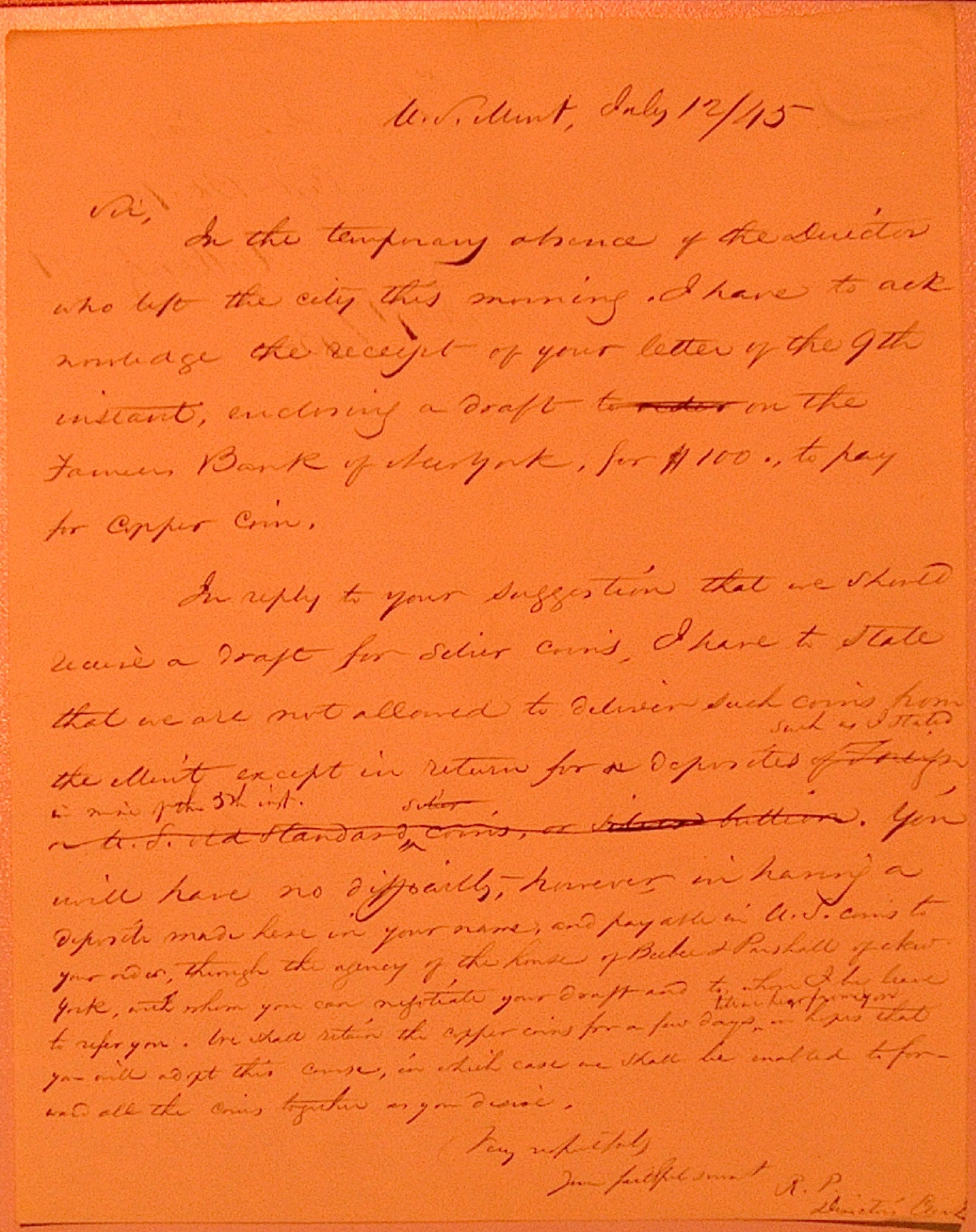


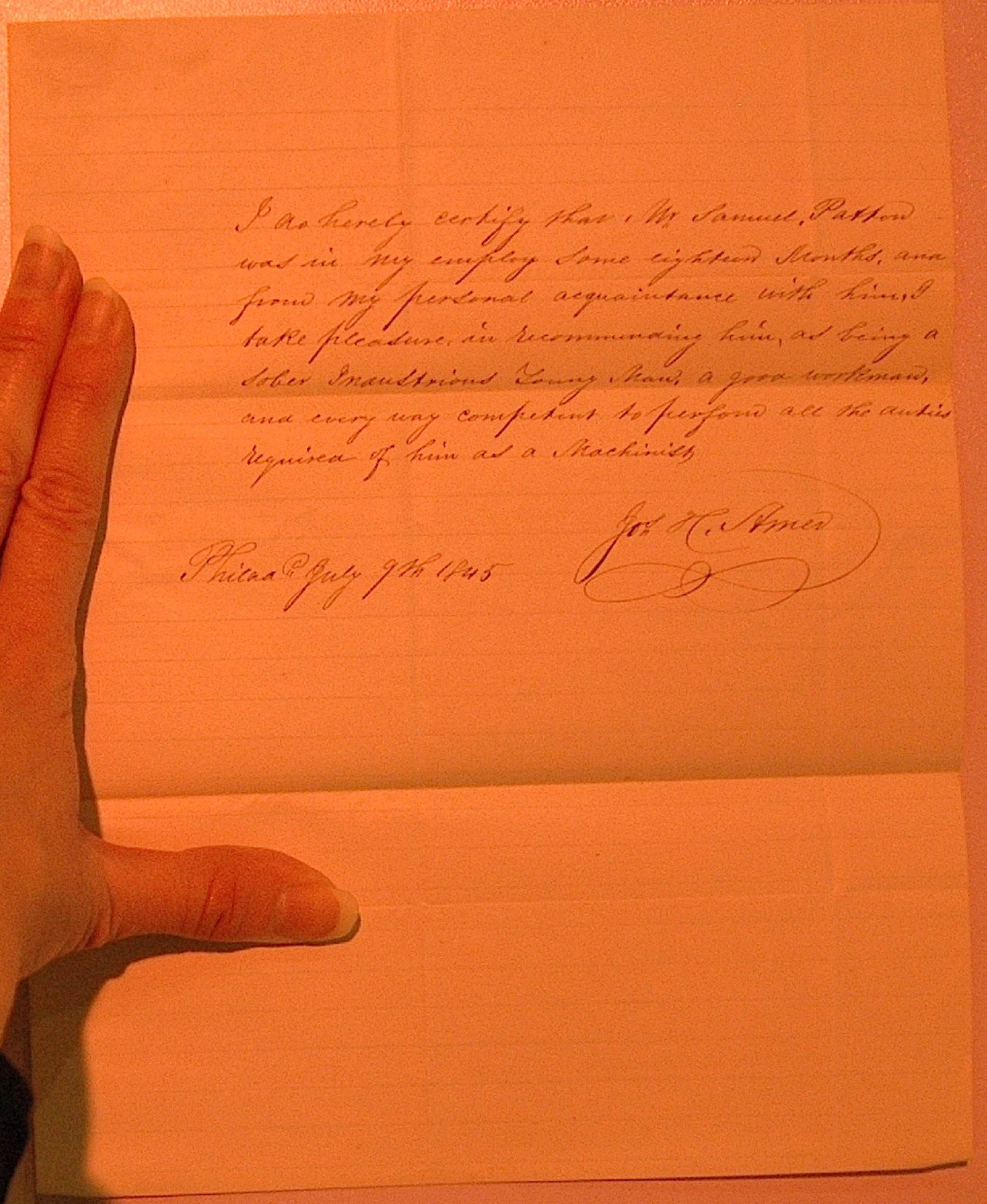
U.S. Mint, July 12/45

Sir,

In the temporary absence of the Director who left the city this morning, I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th instant, enclosing a draft to ~~order~~ on the Farmers Bank of New York, for $100., to pay for Copper Coin.

In reply to your suggestion that we should receive a draft for silver coins, I have to state that we are not allowed to deliver such coins from the Mint except in return for a Deposites ~~of foreign~~ such as I stated in mine of the 5th inst., ~~or U.S. old Standard~~ silver ~~coins, or silver bullion~~. You will have no difficulty, however, in having a deposite made here in your name, and payable in U.S. coins to your order, through the agency of the house of Beebe & Parshall of New York, with whom you can negotiate your draft and to whom I beg leave to refer you. We shall retain the copper coins for a few days, unless we hear from you, in hopes that you will adopt this course, in which case we shall be enabled to forward all the coins together as you desire.

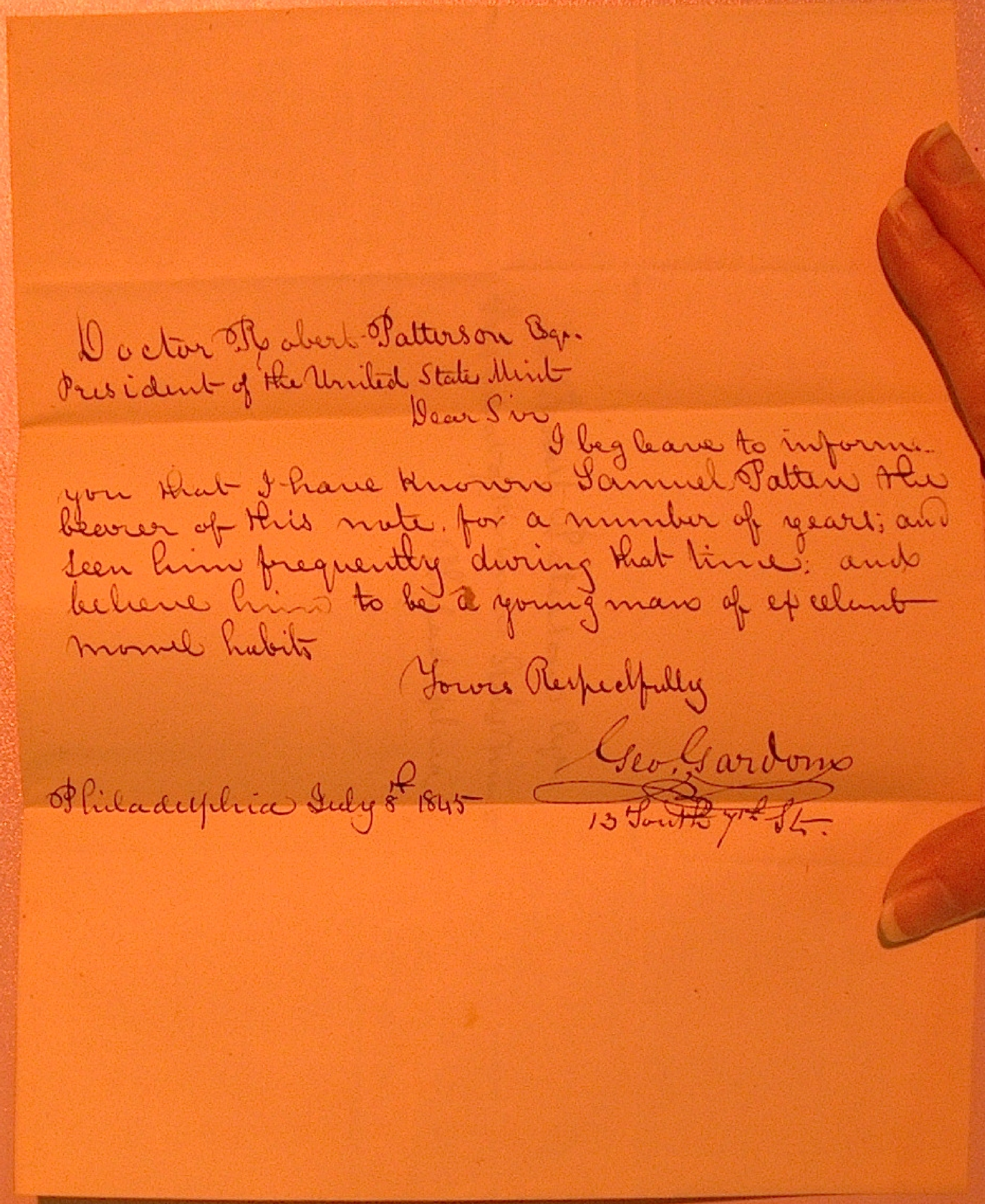
Very respectfully
Your faithful servant
R. P.
Director's Clerk



I do hereby certify that Mr Samuel Patton was in my employ some eighteen Months, and from my personal acquaintance with him, I take pleasure, in recommending him, as being a sober Industrious Young Man, a good workman, and every way competent to perform all the duties required of him as a Machinist

Jos. H. Ames

Philada July 9th 1845



Doctor Robert Patterson Esqr.
President of the United State Mint

Dear Sir

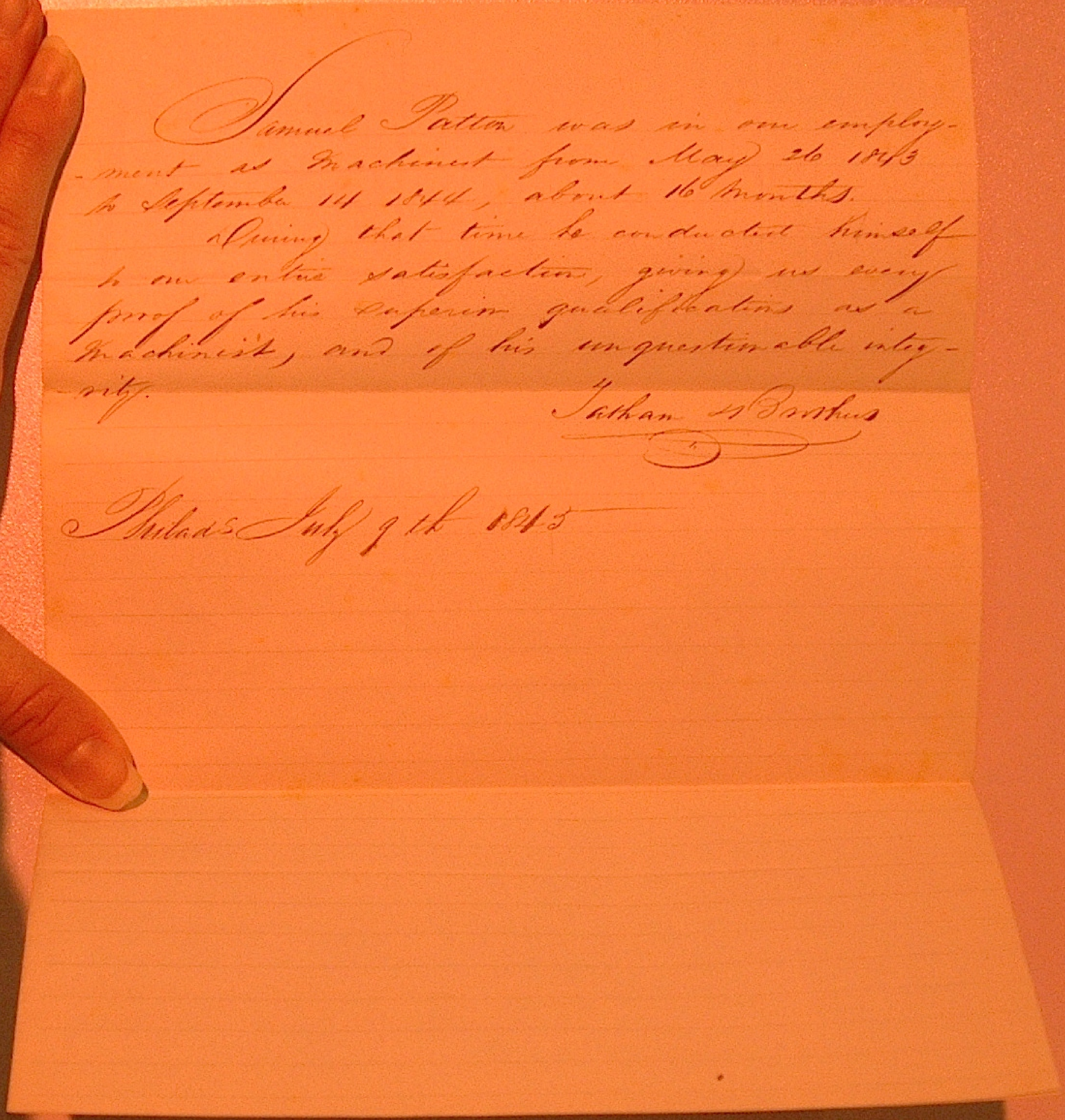
I beg leave to inform you that I have known Samuel Patten the bearer of this note, for a number of years; and seen him frequently during that time; and believe him to be a young man of excellent moral habits

Yours Respectfully

Geo. Gardon

Philadelphia July 8th 1845

13 South 7th St.

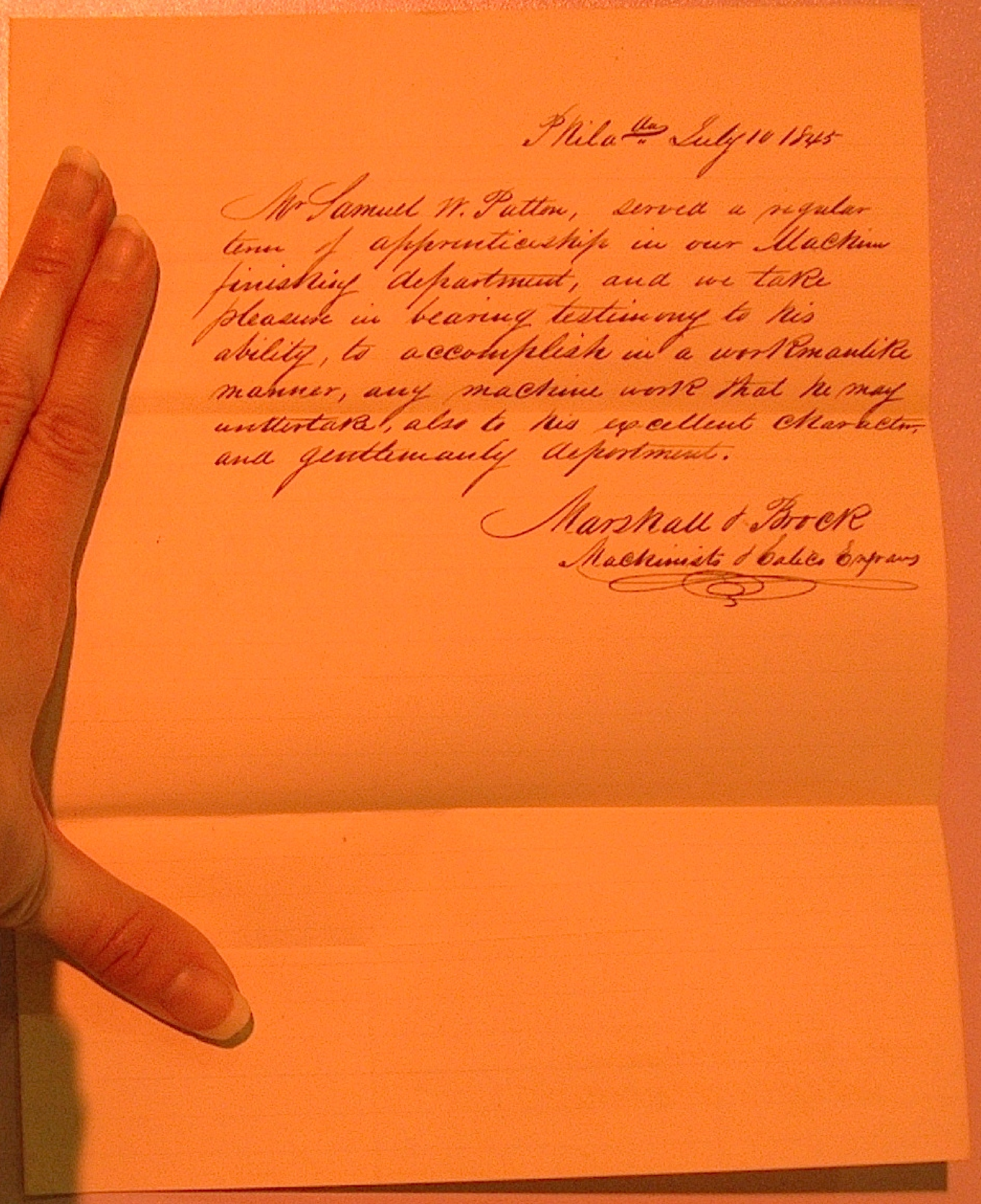


Samuel Patton was in our employment as Machinist from May 26 1843 to September 14 1844, about 16 months.

During that time he conducted himself to our entire satisfaction, giving us every proof of his superior qualifications as a Machinist, and of his unquestionable integrity.

Tatham & Brothers

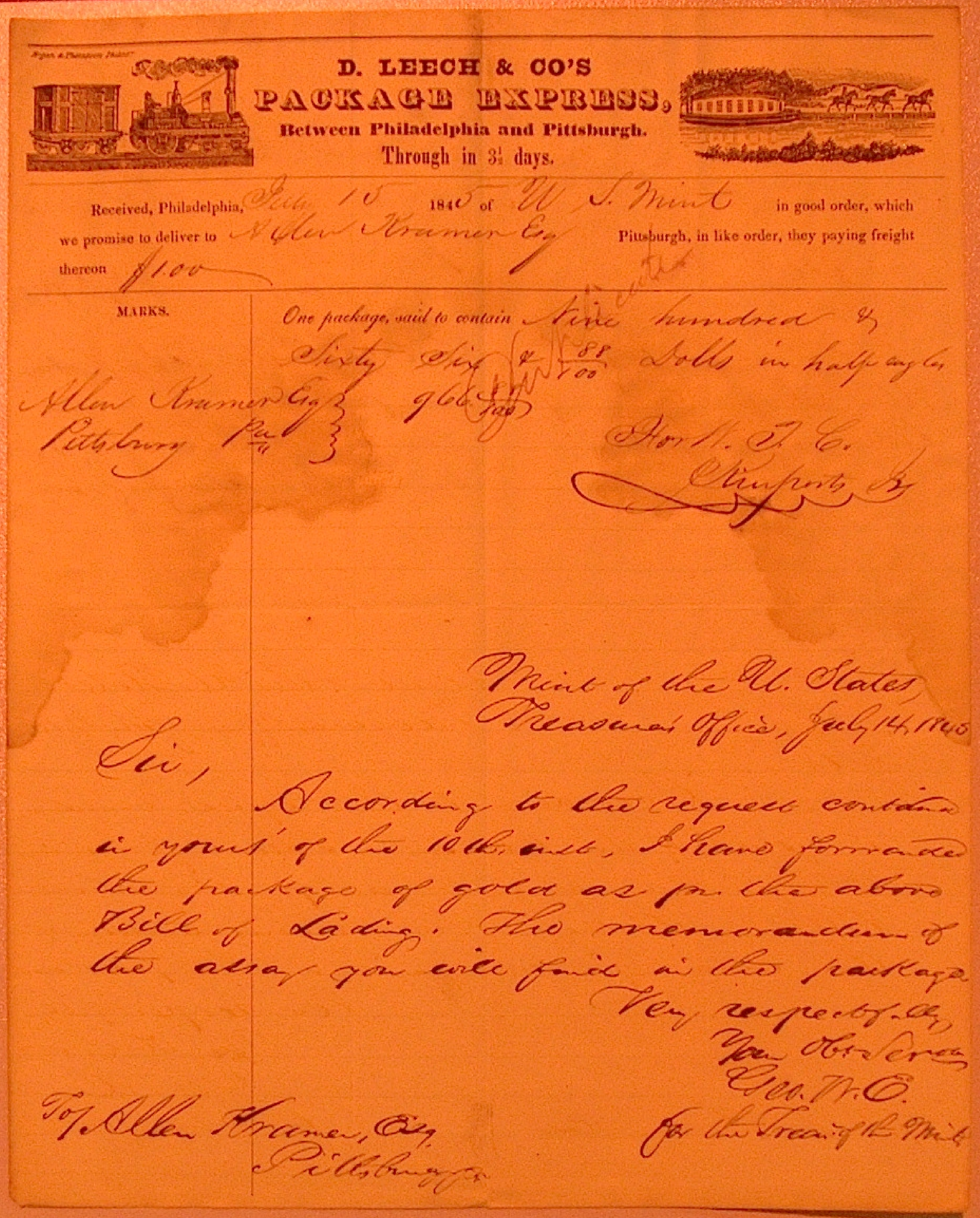
Philada July 9th 1845



Phila^da^ July 10 1845

Mr Samuel W. Patton, served a regular term of apprenticeship in our Machine finishing department, and we take pleasure in bearing testimony to his ability, to accomplish in a workmanlike manner, any machine work that he may undertake, also to his excellent character, and gentlemanly deportment.

Marshall & Brock
Machinists & Calico Engravers



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**D. LEECH & CO'S**

**PACKAGE EXPRESS,**

**Between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.**

Through in 3½ days.

Received, Philadelphia, July 15 1845 of U. S. Mint in good order, which we promise to deliver to Allen Kramer Esq Pittsburgh, in like order, they paying freight thereon $1.00

| MARKS. | |
|---|---|
| Allen Kramer Esq<br>Pittsburg Pa | *One package, said to contain* Nine hundred & Sixty Six & 88/100 Dolls in half eagles<br>966 88/100<br>For W. T. C.<br>Kimports & Co |

Mint of the U. States
Treasurer's Office, July 14, 1845

Sir,

According to the request contained in yours of the 10th inst, I have forwarded the package of gold as per the above Bill of Lading. The memorandum of the assay you will find in the package.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt Servt
Geo. W. C.
For the Treas of the Mint

To/ Allen Kramer, Esq
Pittsburgh Pa

Mint of the United States.
July 16, 1845.

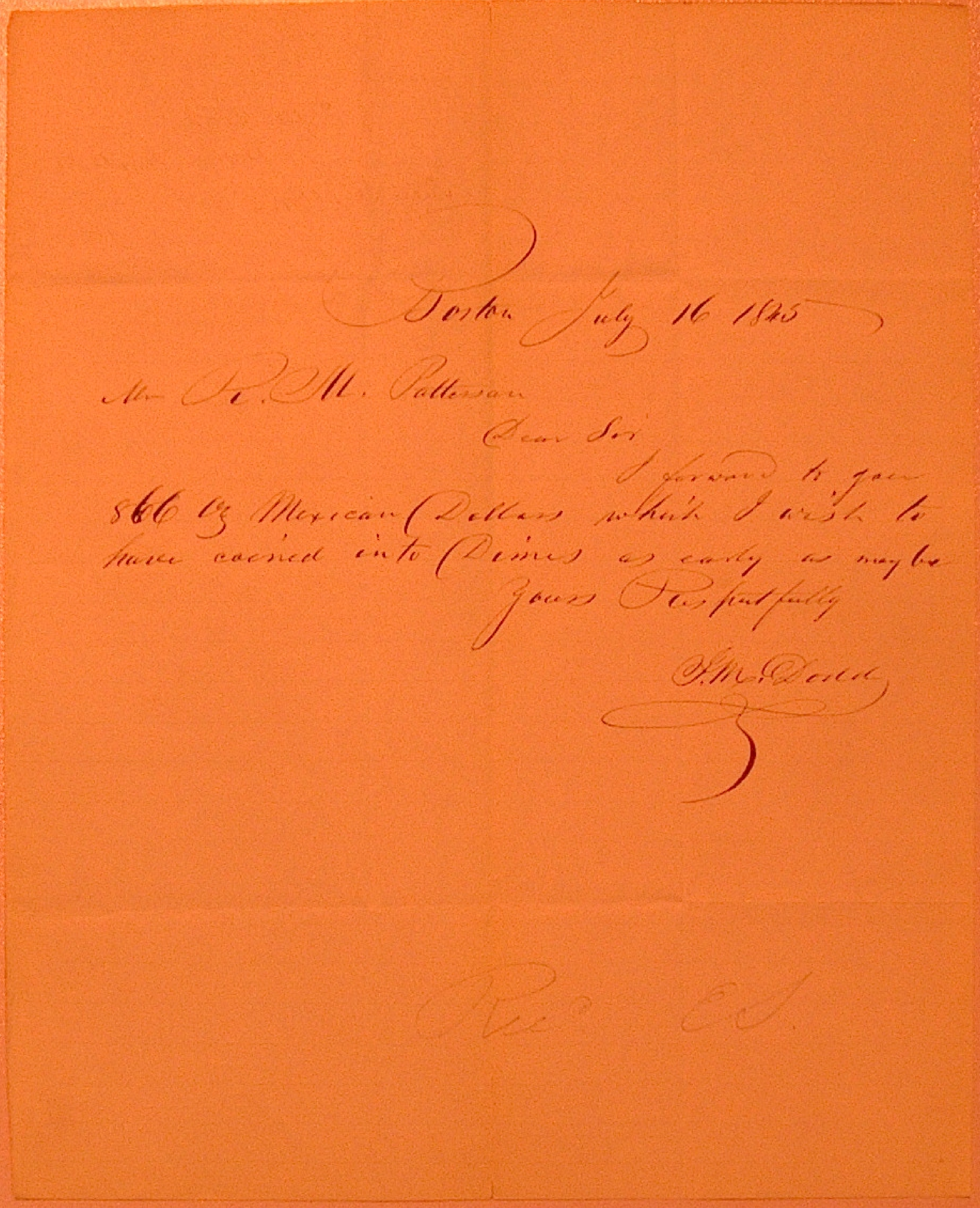
Dear Sir,

I send, by our friend Mr. Troy, the enclosed papers for your signature and endorsement. By your returning them to the Mint, the necessity of your own return, in this torrid weather, will be avoided.

If you think it most prudent to do so, you might endorse the transfer draft in favor of Parshall, Beebe, & Co.; though I do not think this necessary. ~~We shall take care that it be not given up until the necessary Mint receipts are returned to us.~~ The deposits made by that House exceed considerably the amount of $100,000 required; and we shall take care that the draft be not given up to them until the Mint receipts are returned to us. It may be proper to add that the balance now in your own vault is not required in making up the necessary amount.

Yours most truly,
R. M. Patterson
Director

To Isaac Roach, Esq.
Treasurer U. S. Mint.



Boston July 16 1845

Mr R. M. Patterson

Dear Sir

I forward to you 866 Oz Mexican Dollars which I wish to have coined into Dimes as early as may be

Yours Respectfully

F. M. Dodd

Rec. E. S.

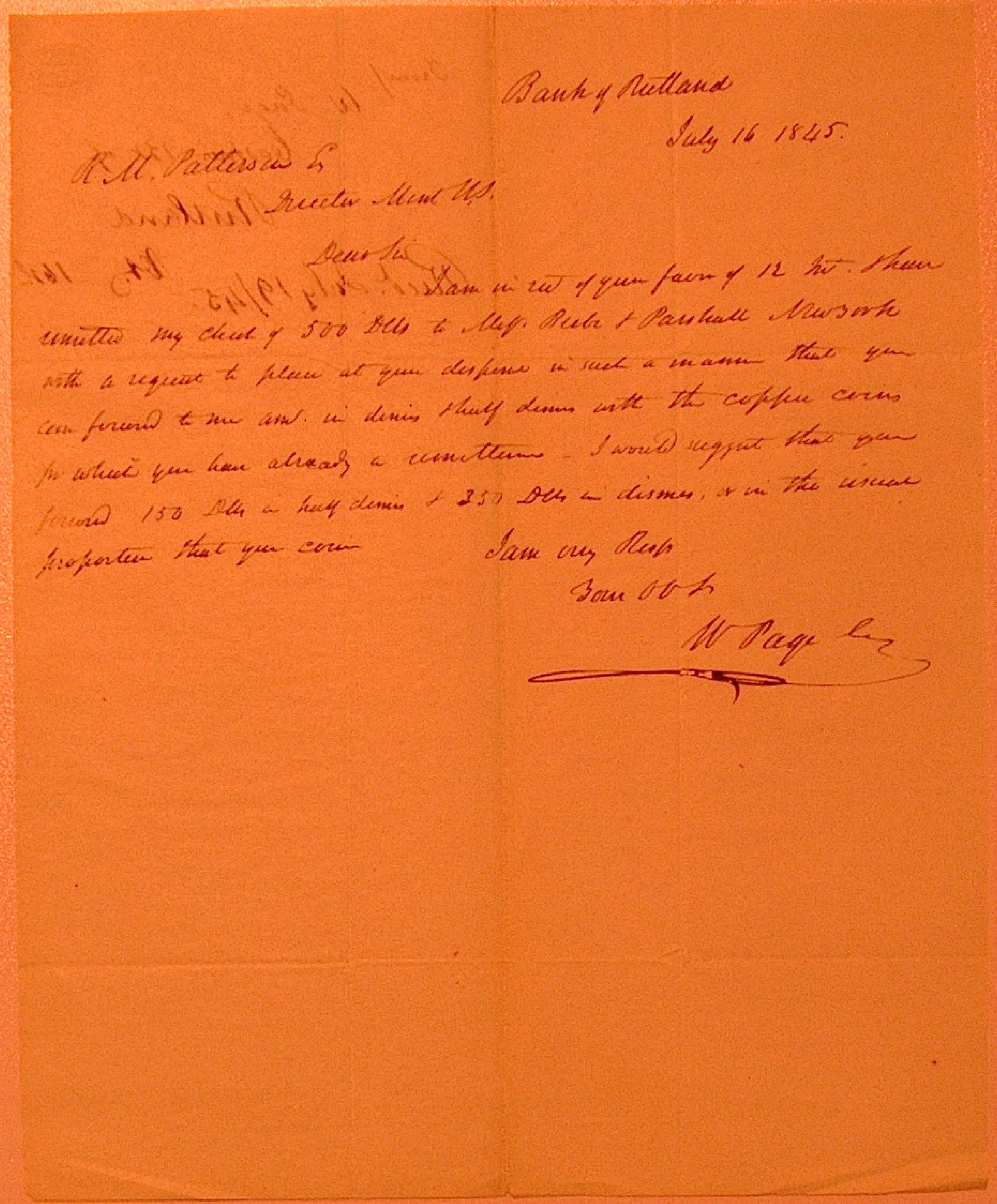
Mint of the United States.
July 16, 1845.

Sir,

I have the satisfaction to state to you, that the House of Paschall, Becker, & Co. have this day completed deposites at the Mint, of ~~sil~~ foreign silver coins & bullion, to an amount more than sufficient to take up the Treasury transfer draft of $100,000, on the Merchants Bank of Boston, payable on the 1st day of August.

R. M. P.
D.

To
Hon. R. J. Walker,
Sec. of the Treasury.

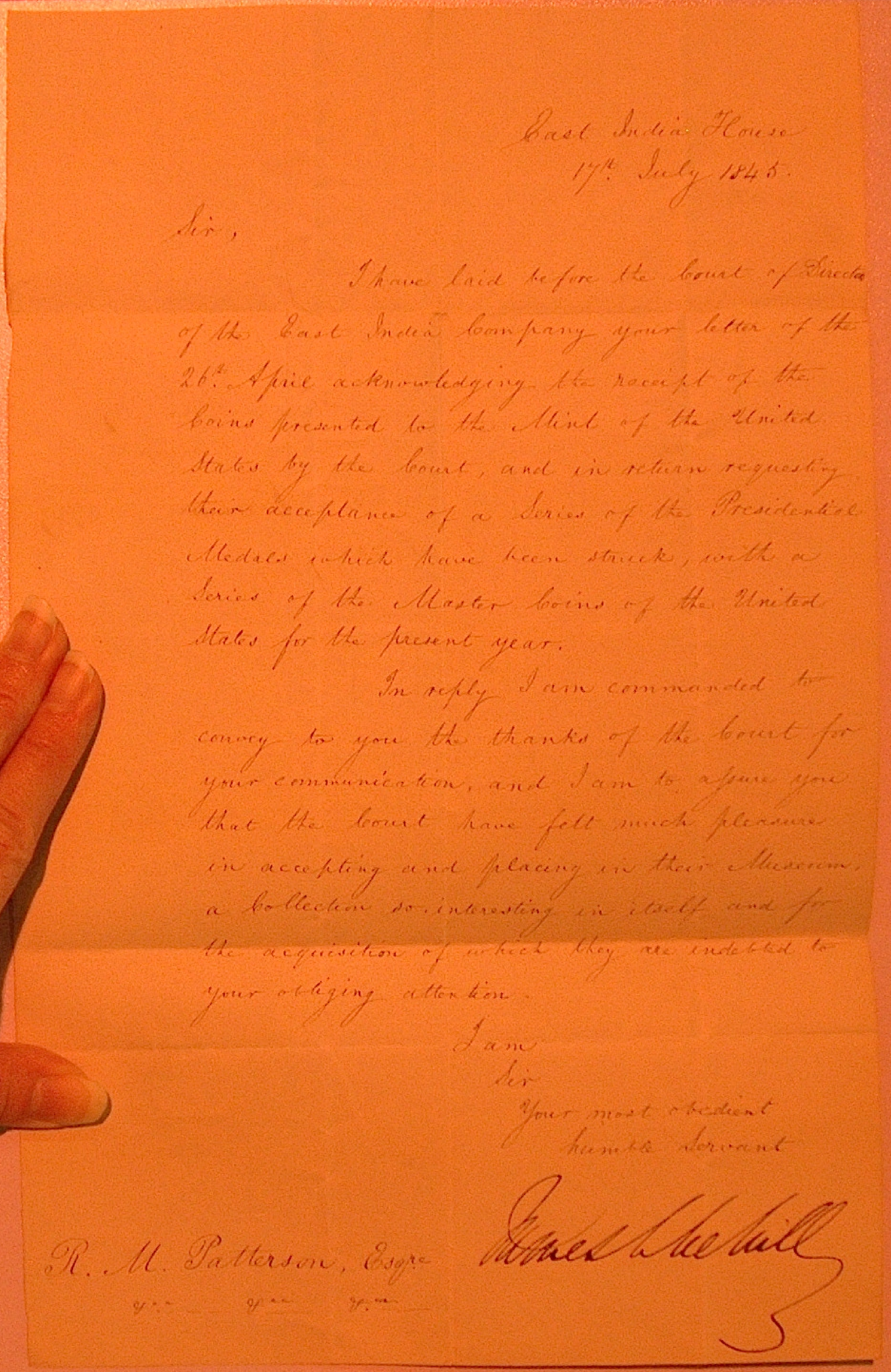


Bank of Rutland
July 16 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director Mint U.S.

Dear Sir
I am in rec't of your favor of 12 Inst. I have remitted my check of 500 Dlls to Mess. Peele & Parshall New York with a request to place at your disposal in such a manner that you can forward to me amt. in dimes & half dimes with the copper coins for which you have already a remittance. I would suggest that you forward 150 Dlls in half dimes & 350 Dlls in dimes, or in the usual proportion that you coin

I am very Resp
Your Ob't S
W Page



East India House
17th. July 1845.

Sir,

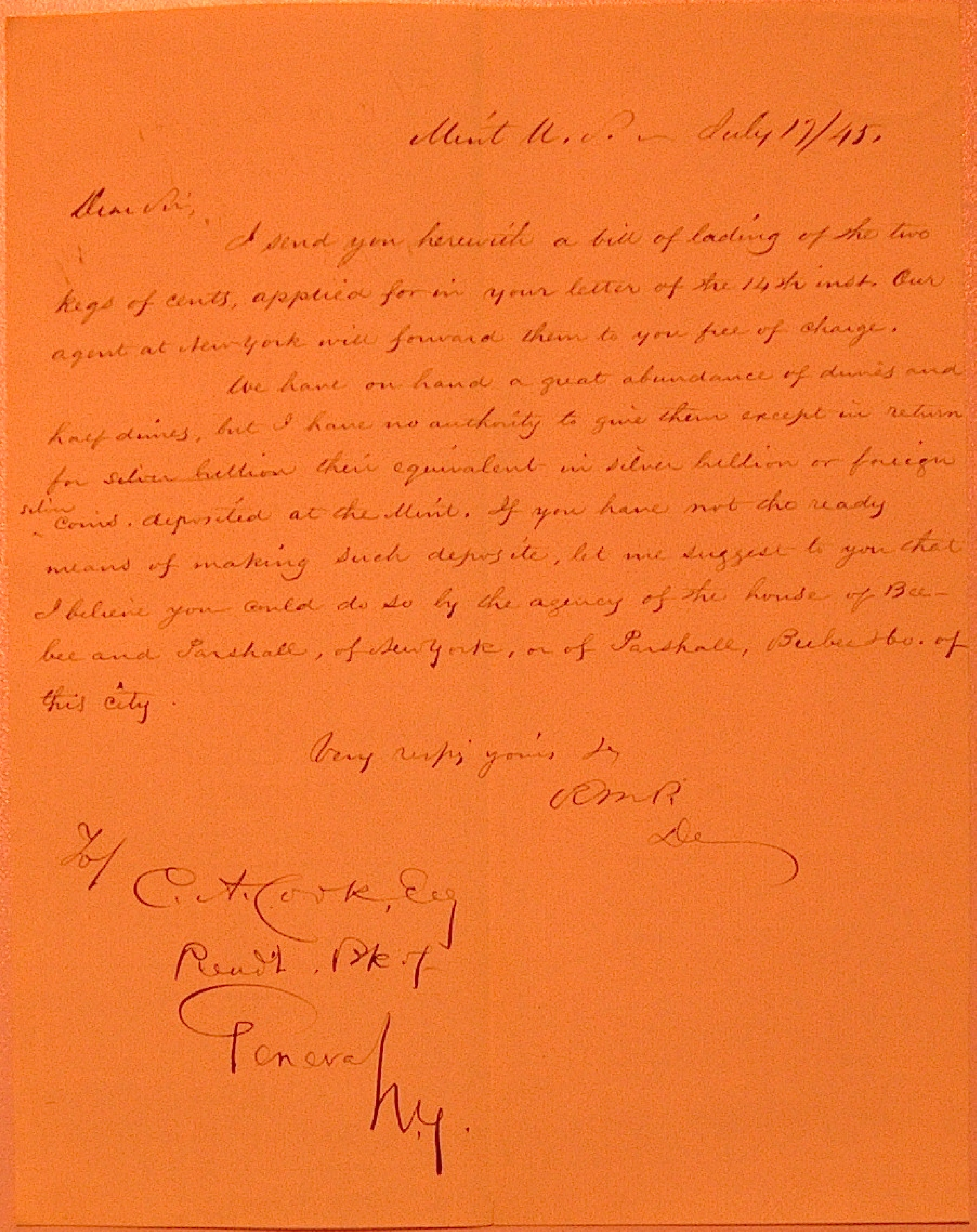
I have laid before the Court of Directors of the East India Company your letter of the 26th. April acknowledging the receipt of the Coins presented to the Mint of the United States by the Court, and in return requesting their acceptance of a Series of the Presidential Medals which have been struck, with a Series of the Master Coins of the United States for the present year.

In reply I am commanded to convey to you the thanks of the Court for your communication, and I am to assure you that the Court have felt much pleasure in accepting and placing in their Museum, a Collection so interesting in itself and for the acquisition of which they are indebted to your obliging attention.

I am
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant

James C Melvill

R. M. Patterson, Esqre
&c. &c. &c.



Mint U. S. ~ July 17/45.

Dear Sir,

I send you herewith a bill of lading of the two kegs of cents, applied for in your letter of the 14th inst. Our agent at New York will forward them to you free of charge.

We have on hand a great abundance of dimes and half dimes, but I have no authority to give them except in return for ~~silver bullion~~ their equivalent in silver bullion or foreign silver coins deposited at the Mint. If you have not the ready means of making such deposite, let me suggest to you that I believe you could do so by the agency of the house of Beebee and Parshall, of New York, or of Parshall, Beebee & Co. of this city.

Very resp'y yours &c

R M P

Dir

To/

C. A. Cook, Esq

Resdt. Bk. of

Geneva

N.Y.

Mint of the U. States,
Treasurer's Office, July 19 1845,

Sir,

I herewith forward you the "weekly statement" ending this day, as a Depositary of the public money.

Very respectfully,
Your Ob^t. Serv^t.

(signed)
Isaac Roach
Treasurer

To/ Wm. Selden, Esq.
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington.

Copy.

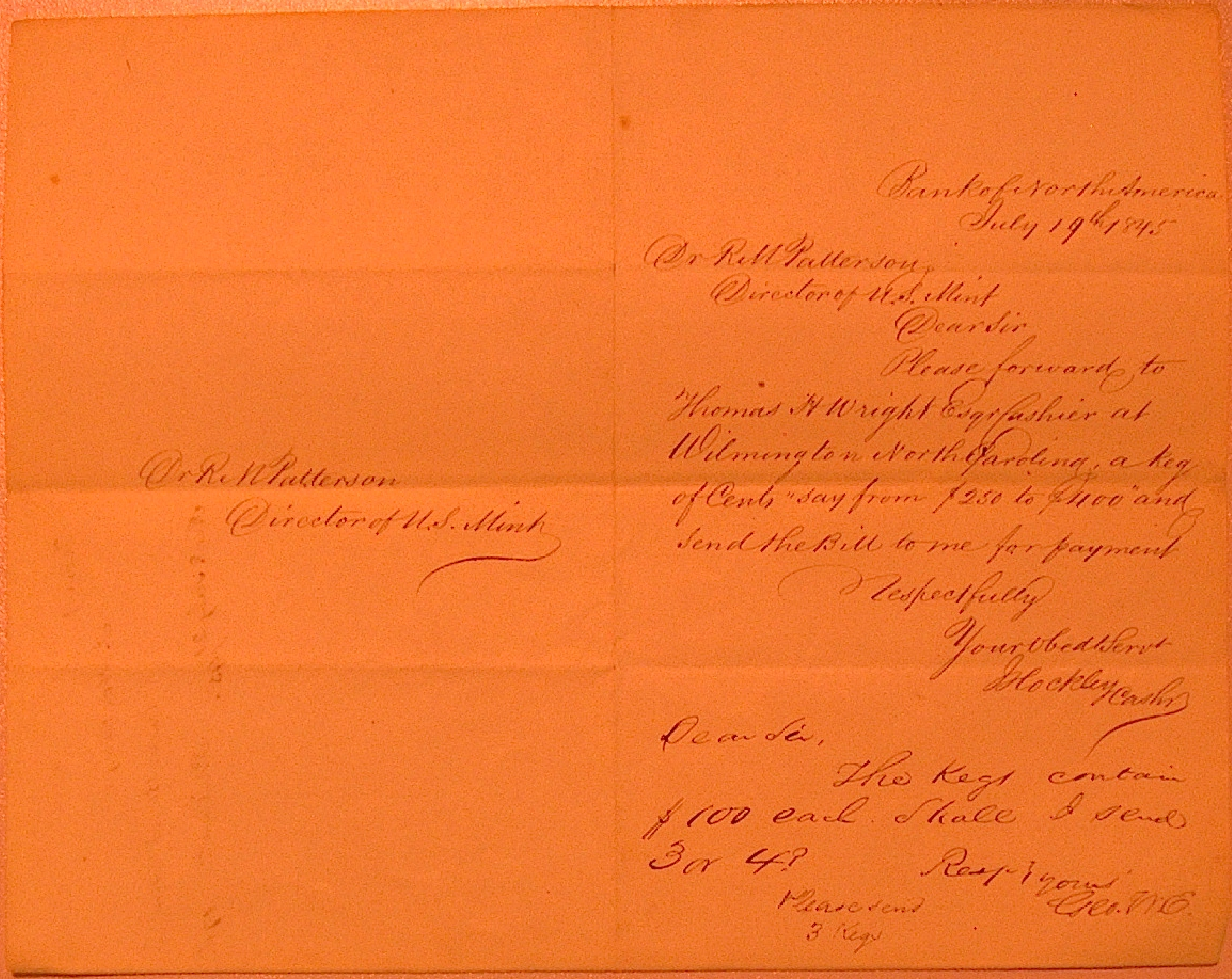
Dr. United States Bullion A/c. in a/c. with Isaac Roach Treasurer of the Mint. Cr.

"for moneys deposited in the Mint by the Treasr. U.S. for the purchase of Bullion for coinage," under Proviso in Sect. 12 of the deposite Act of 1836

| 1845 | | Dollars cts. | 1845 | | Dollars cts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| July 19 | To Mint of the United States. | 509,960 94 | June 30 | By Balance as pr. account rendered this day. . . . . . . | 409,960 94 |
| | | | July 19 | " Silver Bullion Purchd. for Coinage, for so much received in payment of Treasury Transfer Draft* No. 175 dated June 20, 1845, in my favor, on Merchants Bank at Boston, payable 1st. August 1845, in Mexican Dollars or Silver Bullion. | 100,000 00 |
| | | 509,960 94 | | | 509,960 94 |

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office July 19 1845.

*This draft was not called for until this day and the a/c. was therefore kept back. July 21. 1845.



Bank of North America
July 19th 1845

Dr R. M. Patterson
Director of U.S. Mint
Dear Sir

Please forward to Thomas H Wright Esqr Cashier at Wilmington North Carolina, a keg of Cents "say from $250 to $400" and send the Bill to me for payment

Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
J Lockley Cashr

Dear Sir,

The Kegs contain $100 each. Shall I send 3 or 4?

Resp. yours
Geo. N. E.

Please send
3 Kegs

Dr R. M. Patterson
Director of U.S. Mint

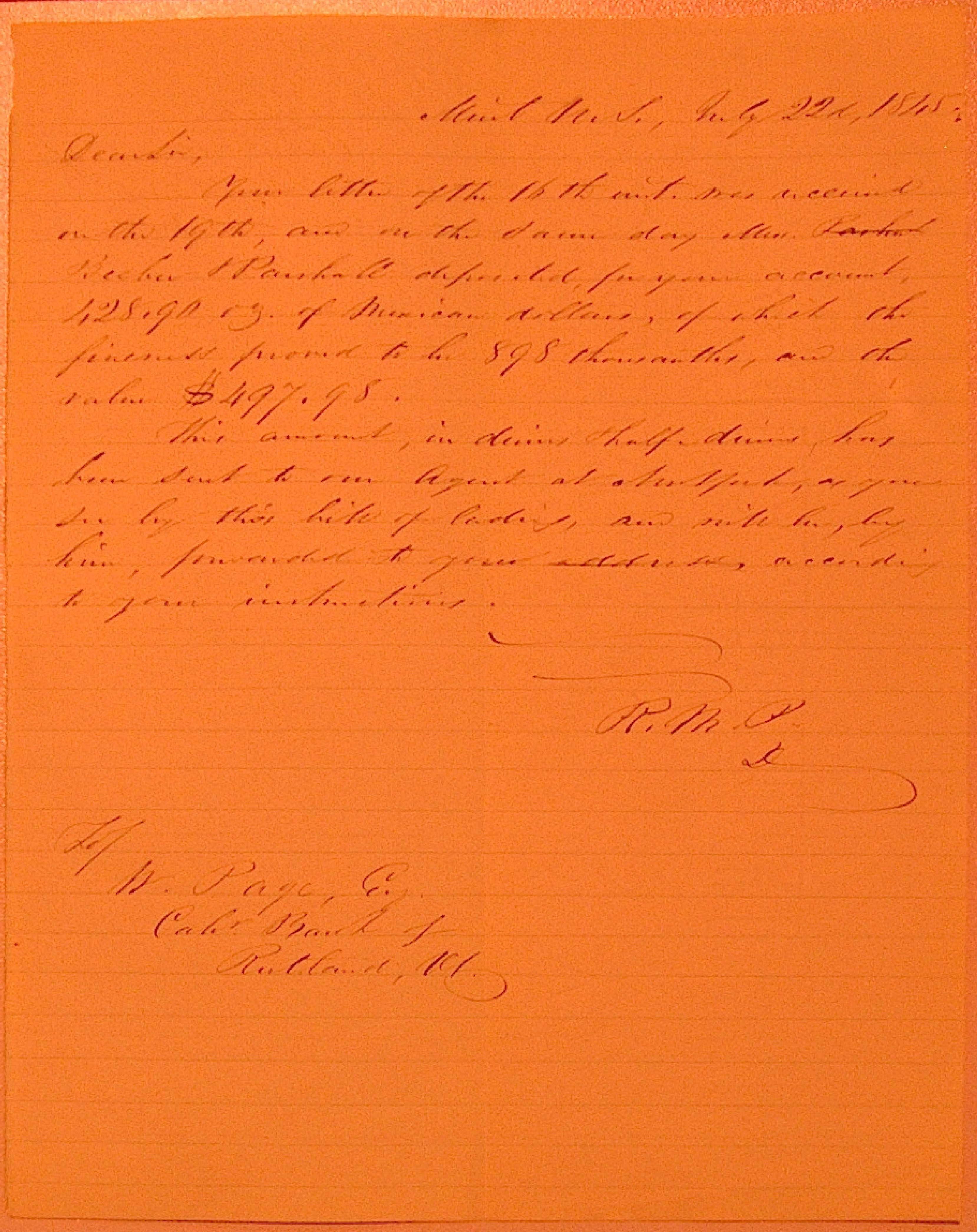
Bank of Poughkeepsie
July 21, 1845

Dear Sir,

Please forward to this Bank one Keg of cents. (Say One Hundred dollars) and draw on me for the amount or if you prefer I will remit you my draft on the City of New York upon the receipt of them

Yours very Respectfully
R. North
Cashr.

R. M. Patterson Esqr
Director &c



Mint U. S., July 22d, 1848.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 16th inst. was received on the 19th, and on the same day Mess. ~~Parker~~ Beebe & Parshall deposited, for your account, 428.90 oz. of Mexican dollars, of which the fineness proved to be 898 thousandths, and the value $497.98.

This amount, in dimes & half-dimes, has been sent to our Agent at Whitehall, as you see by this bill of lading, and will be, by him, forwarded to your address, according to your instructions.

R. M. P.
D

To
W. Page, Esq.
Cash'r Bank of
Rutland, Vt.

Mint U.S.
July 22 / 45.

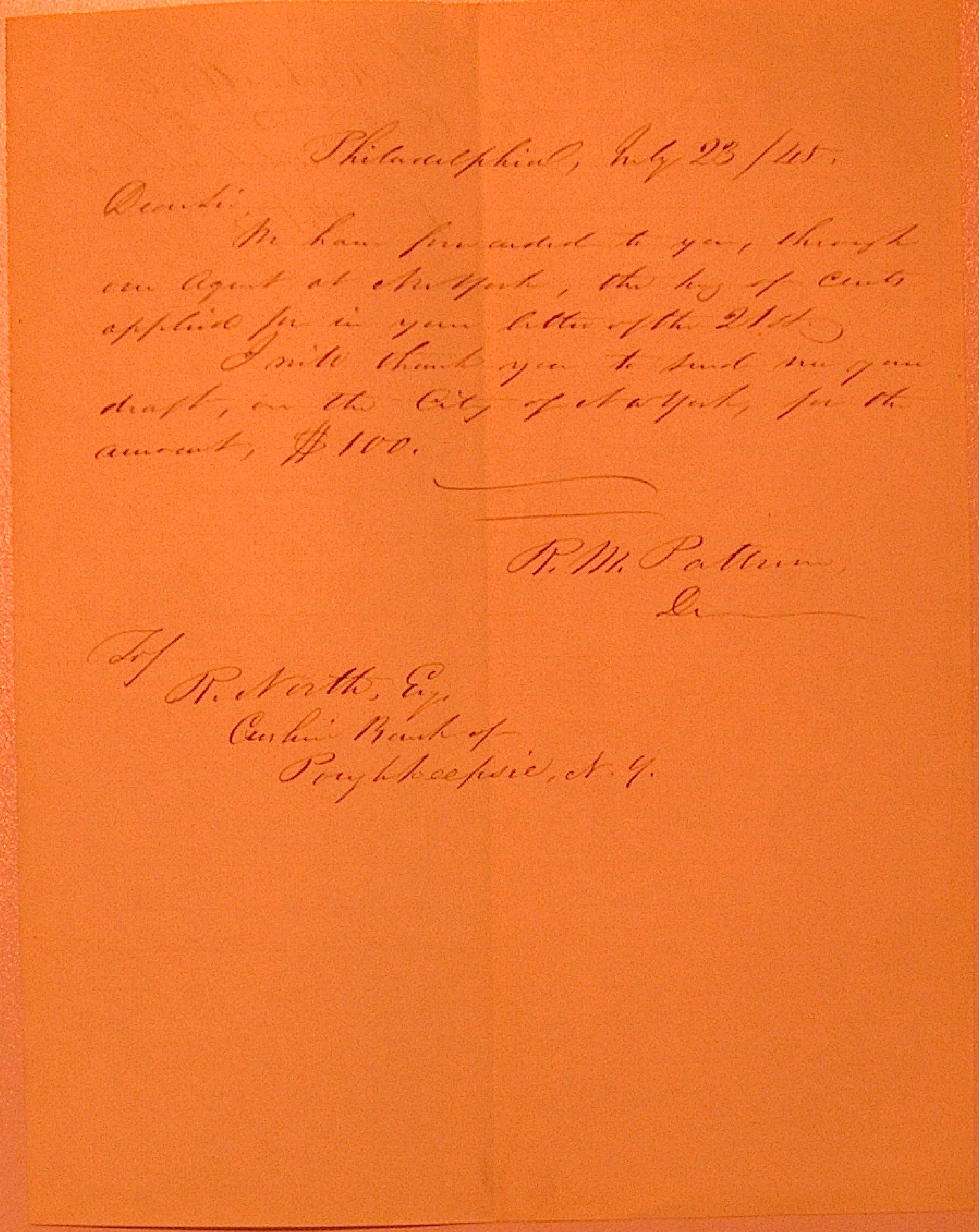
Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for two thousand dollars, out of the appropriation, for the current year, for the "Wages of Workmen."

$2000.

R. M. P.
D.

To/ Hon. R. J. Walker
Sec. of Treas.



Philadelphia, July 23/45.

Dear Sir,

We have forwarded to you, through our Agent at New York, the keg of Cents applied for in your letter of the 21st.

I will thank you to send me your draft, on the City of New York, for the amount, $100.

R. M. Patterson,
Dr

To/
R. North, Esq,
Cashier Bank of
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

(Copy)

Mint of the United States
July 24. 1845.

Dear Sir,

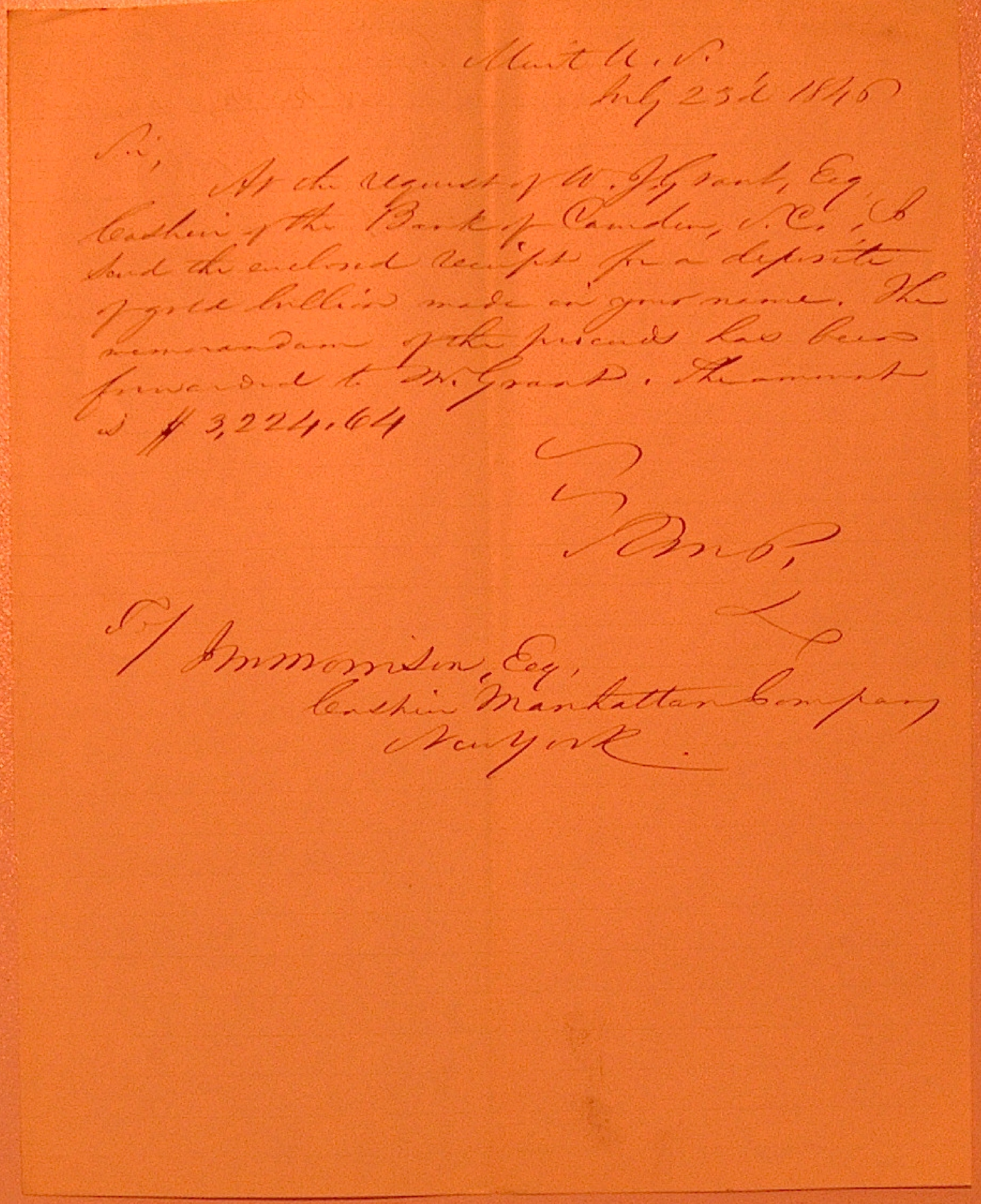
In answer to the inquiry made by Mr. Smith, of the Bank of Metropolis, I have to state, that I have no authority to deliver any coins from the Mint, except in payment for deposits left for coinage; and that I have no authority to receive for coinage anything but bullion, or foreign coins, or U. S. Silver coins of a date prior to 1837, or U. S. Gold coins previous to the change of standard in 1834.

Very respectfully, &
faithfully Yours

(Signed) R. M. Patterson
Director

To/

J. B. Trevor Esq
Cash. Bk. Phila.



Mint U. S.
July 23d 1846

Sir,

At the request of W. J. Grant, Esq. Cashier of the Bank of Camden, S. C., I send the enclosed receipt for a deposite of gold bullion made in your name. The memorandum of the proceeds has been forwarded to Mr. Grant. The amount is $3,224.64

R. M. P.

To J M Morrison, Esq.
Cashier Manhattan Company
New York.

List of Gold Bullion Sent US Mint Phila
for Coinage July 24th 1845 by I Dunlap
for Bank of Cape Fear Asheville N.C

|  |  | Dwts |
|---|---|---|
| No 1 | A. B. & Phil Hawkins | 1233 |
| 2 | " " " McElrath mine | 280 |
| 3 | " " Nuslande mine | 196 |
| 4 | L. Miller | 497 |
| 5 | W. L. Miller | 218 |
| 6 | I. I. Erwin | 1338 |
| 7 | I. C. Smyth | 154 |
| 8 | W. W. Avery & C | 3015 |
| 9 | N. W. Woodfin & C | 121 |
| 10 | W. F. McKesson | 1598 |
| 11 | G & W. Carson | 566 |
| 12 | R. P. Hill | 197 |
| 13 | I. I. Neal | 131 |
| 14 | Mrs R. Miller | 227 |
| 15 | I. M. Carson | 925 |
| 16 | G. F. Taylor | 500 |
| 17 | T. E. Satterwhite | 527 |
| 18 | A. B. & Phil Hawkins | 282 |
| 19 | Thos Humphrie | 400 |
| 20 | Robt McElrath | 256 |
| 21 | Miller & Twitty | 416 |
| 22 | I. F. E. Hardy Cashr (Bechtler) | 273 |
| 23 | H. L. Robards | 346 |
| 24 | Do Do | 428 |
| 25 | John Glass | 462 |
|  | Wght [illegible] 14266 | 14239 |

B. of Cape Fear Br at Asheville July 24th 1845

R. M Patterson Esqr

Dear Sir, Above I send you a list of Gold Bullion Sent by Mr I Dunlap for Coinage you will please have it assayed as heretofore & send me the certificate by mail

10/18 25

Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
I. F. E. Hardy Cash

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

24 July 1845.

*Sir:*

*Enclosed you will receive* a *Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.*

*I am, respectfully,*

*Sir, your obedient servant,*

WM. SELDEN,

*Treasurer of the United States.*

Isaac Roach Esqr

Central Hotel
New York July 27. 45

Sir

I received your favour of the 25th last evening and think it highly probable that I will accept of your offer. I will not be able to return to Phila untill the latter part of this week when I will immediately call on you. You will please accept my thanks for your kindness

Respectfully Yours
Saml. W. Patt

To

Dr. R. M. Patterson

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, July 29th, 1845

Dear Sir,

I have the satisfaction to inform you of the safe receipt of the box of coins, &c. and the letters and schedule appertaining thereto. It is a small return to thank you for this attention, which combines a personal favor with a public service.

The quarto pamphlet of Mr. Borrell is gratefully accepted, as an interesting addition to our numismatic works. — The donation to the Amer. Philosophical Society, "Moses of Chorene", has been deposited at their rooms, and will be acknowledged at their next meeting, and in the ~~mo~~ quarterly bulletin.

Only one of your drafts, the smaller one, has as yet been presented. — The other will be honored when it comes to hand.

Owing to a clerical omission of a single word in the annual appropriation, I apprehend a suspension of funds for this object, during the whole year from the 1st inst. I am therefore obliged to ask you to ~~suspend~~ forego the purchase of the few pieces which may yet be wanting to complete my former requests. As it is, we possess an antique collection of which we are tempted to be proud, and which owing to its novelty in this new world, is the daily object of admiration to our numerous visitors.

I am also much gratified by the transmission of three sets of the new gold and silver coins of the Ottoman Empire. The workmanship, especially of the gold coin, is highly creditable to the government, and is a marked advance upon former issues. I have caused assays to be made in detail, and for the gratification of the Embassy, will state the results. Two sets were used for this purpose, the third being reserved for the Cabinet.

Silver coins. Piece of 20 piastres, average weight $371\frac{1}{2}$ troy grains; fineness 830 & 827 (assayed separately) – average $828\frac{1}{2}$ thousandths; value $82\frac{3}{10}$ cents. This makes the silver piastre equal to $4\frac{14}{100}$ cents. The intended fineness is no doubt $833\frac{1}{3}$ thous., or five parts in six; but if the dry assay is used, which is probable, an error of a few thousandths is not extraordinary. At $833\frac{1}{3}$, the piastre would yield $4\frac{17}{100}$ cents. The commercial piastre, as I take it from your bills, is equal to $4\frac{3}{10}$ cents.

Piece of 10 piastres; 186 grs; $826\frac{1}{2}$ fine; $41\frac{4}{10}$ cents.
Do. 5 do. 92.5; 824; $20\frac{5}{10}$ –

There appears a tendency, (not unusual) to deteriorate slightly the smaller coins; but perhaps it is unfair to judge from two pieces.

Gold coins. Piece of 100 piastres, aver. wt. 111 grains; 915 thous. fine; value \$4.37.4.
Piece of 50 piastres, $55\frac{9}{10}$ grs; 915 fine; value \$2.20.3.

In the gold coin, there is an evident aim at the British standard of fineness, (eleven-twelfths, or $916\frac{2}{3}$ thous.) and a very near approach to the actual quality of sovereigns, which is $915\frac{1}{2}$. It thus appears that the piastre in gold is equal in our money to $4\frac{37}{100}$ cents, which is nearer to the commercial rate than the piastre in silver.

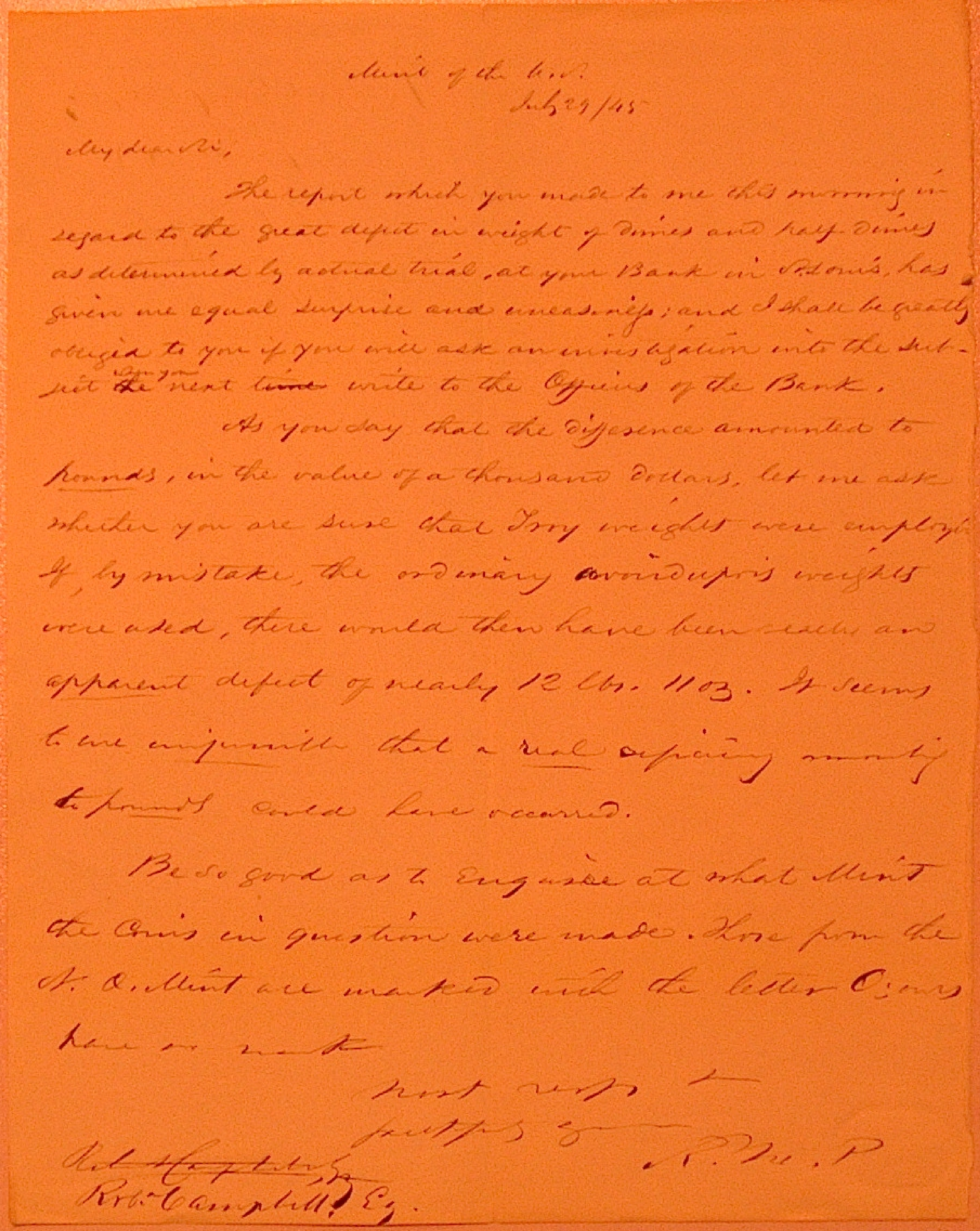
It would be interesting to know whether the gold and silver circulate concurrently, or which, ~~of either~~ is most relied upon as the habitual currency. – Referring to the assay of coins of 1839, sent by you, I find the valuation of the ~~old and a~~ former & present gold pieces to be, in accurate proportion ~~adjusted~~ to each other, though ~~while~~ the rates of weight and fineness materially differ; but it is not so with the silver, which improves upon the old coinage; that is, more silver is given for a piastre. You will see this by referring to the work published by our Assayers. What becomes of the old silver money, in this case?

When you write again, I would thank you for information on those points. It will also be interesting to know something of the Ottoman mint-affairs; whether the coinage is considerable; whether the artists are natives, or Feringees; &c.

I am very respectfully

your faithful servt

John P. Brown Esq.
Dragoman to the U. S. Embassy
Constantinople.



Mint of the U.S.
July 29/45

My dear Sir,

The report which you made to me this morning in regard to the great defect in weight of dimes and half-dimes as determined by actual trial, at your Bank in St. Louis, has given me equal surprise and uneasiness; and I shall be greatly obliged to you if you will ask an investigation into the subject ~~the~~ when you next ~~time~~ write to the Officers of the Bank.

As you say that the difference amounted to pounds, in the value of a thousand dollars, let me ask whether you are sure that Troy weights were employed. If, by mistake, the ordinary avoirdupois weights were used, there would then have been really an apparent defect of nearly 12 lbs. 11 oz. It seems to me impossible that a real deficiency amounting to pounds could have occurred.

Be so good as to enquire at what Mint the coins in question were made. Those from the N. O. Mint are marked with the letter O; ours have no mark.

Most resp. &
faithfully yrs
R. M. P

~~Rob. [illegible]~~
Robt. Campbell, Esq.

Bank of Geneva
July 29. 1845

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director &c

Dear Sir

We have this day rec'd the two kegs of copper cents marked $100 each as advised of by you under date of 17 Inst. for the amt of my draft on N. York remitted to you on 14 Inst.

I thank you for the information as to the mode of obtaining a [illegible] of ½ dimes.

Through our correspondents John Ward & Co New York we have just obtained $1000 which will answer our purpose at present.

Yours Resp'y
C. R. Cooke
Cash'r

Pittsburgh
July 30th 1845 —

Dear Doctor:

I expected to accomplish the last of my purposes in visiting the West this morning, and thus be enabled to leave to morrow for Phila — My purpose has not been effected, & with the recent assurance of Mr Eckfeldt that he would not be overworked I have concluded to remain a few days longer & complete it —

A sudden & dangerous illness of the Manager of my Mother's Affairs has prevented me from attending to all her wishes —

I have only time (having arrived from the Homestead this morning) before the mail closes, to assure you of the respect & esteem I have for you. Yrs. J. R. McClintock

My respects to our brethren of the Mint — Write if conv.t, although it is very probable I may be en route for duty before a letter would reach me — then write — all's well —

Dr R. M. Patterson
Direr U. S. Mint

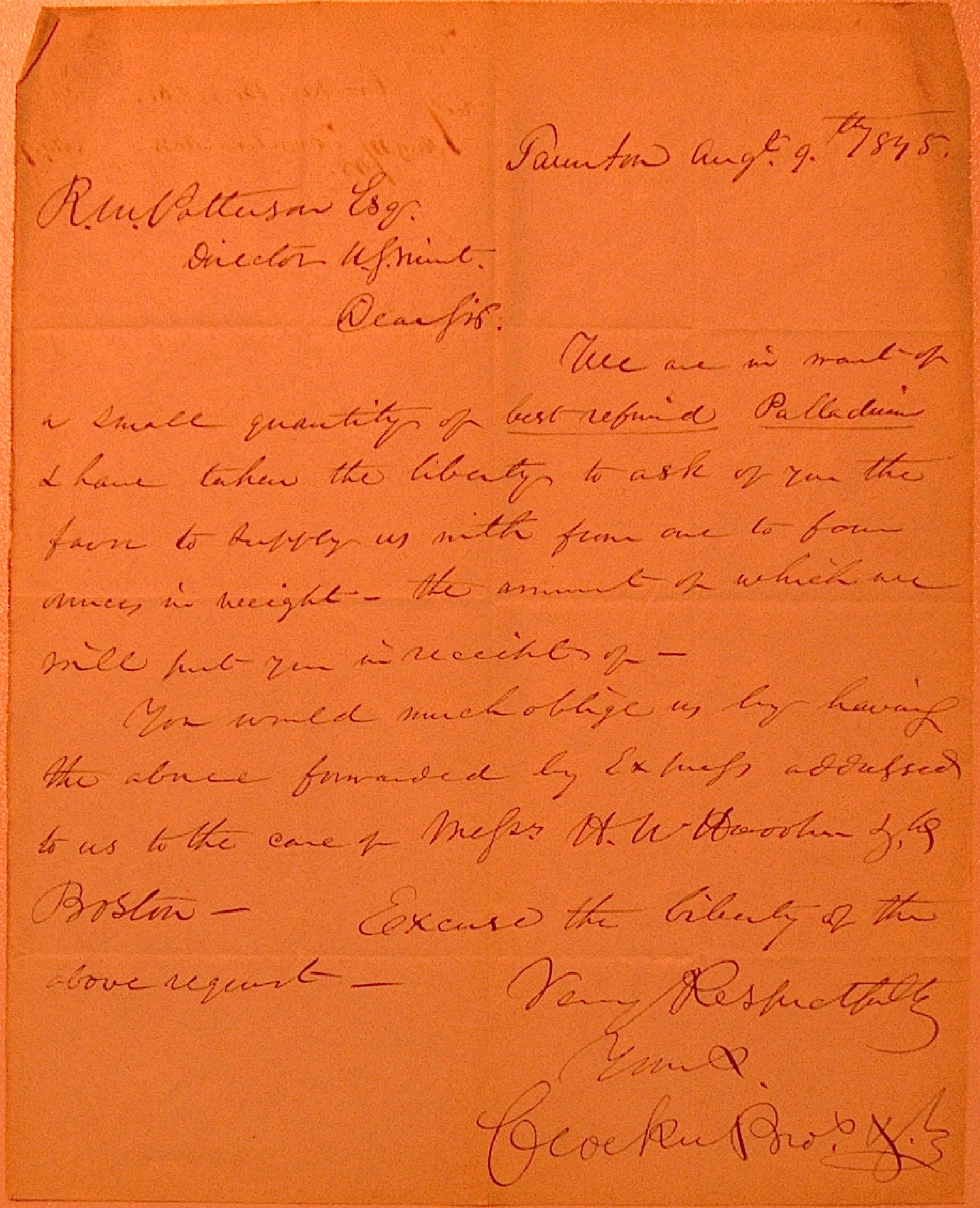
Bank of the State of N.C.
Br at Charlotte 9 July 184

Dear Sir

Herewith you will receive a package Gold Bullion for Mr W. A. Williams which please have assayed in his name and for his account and send me the mem. of assay & Receipt by mail at your earliest Convenience.

Very Respectfully
yr. mo. ob
W. A. Lucas
Cashr

To R. M. Patterson
Director &c
Philadelphia



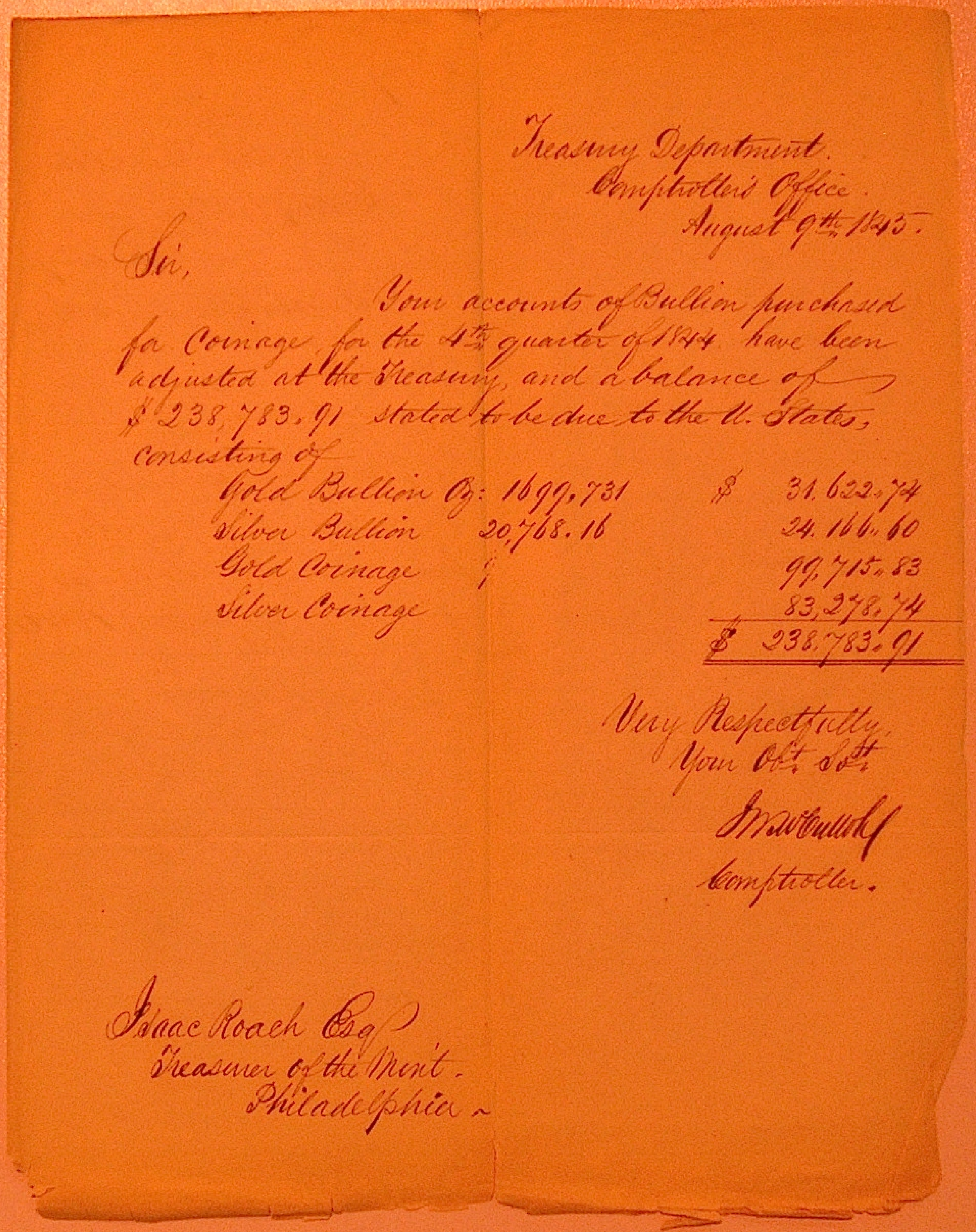
Taunton Augt. 9th 1848.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U.S. Mint.
Dear Sir.

We are in want of a small quantity of best refined Palladium & have taken the liberty to ask of you the favor to supply us with from one to four ounces in weight – the amount of which we will put you in receipt of –

You would much obblige us by having the above forwarded by Express addressed to us to the care of Messrs H. N. Hooper & Co Boston – Excuse the liberty of the above request –

Very Respectfully
Yours
Crocker Bros & Co



Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
August 9th 1845.

Sir,

Your accounts of Bullion purchased for Coinage for the 4th quarter of 1844 have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 238,783.91 stated to be due to the U. States, consisting of

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Gold Bullion | Oz: 1699.731 | $ | 31.622.74 |
| Silver Bullion | 20,768.16 | | 24.166.60 |
| Gold Coinage | | | 99,715.83 |
| Silver Coinage | | | 83,278.74 |
| | | $ | 238.783.91 |

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. St.

J. W. McCulloch
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia

Office House of Reps U.S.
August 9 1845

Sir

I have received your letter of the 6th instant and forward herewith, as requested a copy of the treaty with Texas and the correspondence accompanying the same.

The report of Lieut. Fremont's expedition beyond the Rocky mountains has not been printed as yet on account of the delay in engraving the maps and other plates to accompany it. A copy will be sent to your office as soon as it is ready for delivery which will probably be in a few weeks.

I am very respectfully
Sir
Your Obt Servt
B. B. French
Clerk House of Reps U.S.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

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Pittsg Aug. 11, 1845.

Dr Sir

Referring to my letter of July 21st I sent a remittance to you for recoinage 320 Sovgs with instructions to send them when made into America Coin to my address by Adams & Co Express Chest. I have neither rec'd an acknowledgment of the remittance, nor the gold.

Will you be so good as to write me on this subject & oblige

Yours truly
Allen Kramer
for Kramer & Rahm

Deposit sent as required by Dr McClintock on Saturday 9th Inst. & receipt forwarded.

Mint U.S.

Aug. 12, '45.

Dear Sir,

The deposite announced in your letter of the 24th ult., was received on the 7th inst., and I now send you the Mint Receipt therefor, and a full memorandum of the weight value and proceeds of the several parcels.

I am
&c.

R. M. P.,
Dr.

To/ Dr. J. F. E. Hardy
Cash. Bk. of Cape Fear
Asheville N.C.

Mint U.S.
Aug. 12 '45

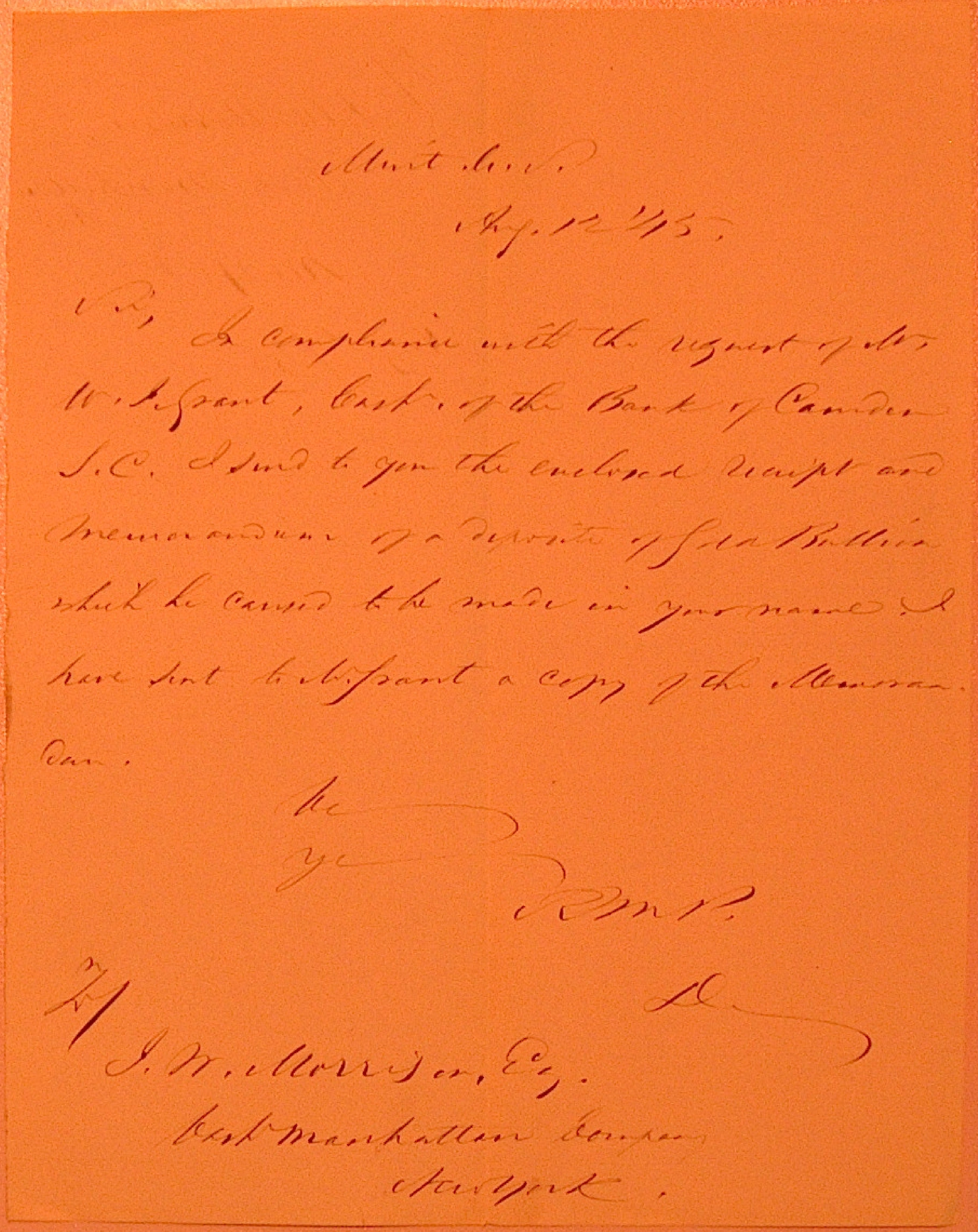
Dear Sir,

The deposite of Gold bullion which you sent by Mr. Bonney, was received on the 8th inst., and the Mint receipt and Memorandum are this day sent to J. M. Morrison, Esq. Cashr., in compliance with your request. I have thought it proper to enclose a duplicate of the Memorandum to you, and have so informed Mr. Morrison.

Yrs
&c

R. M. P.

To J. W. L. Grant, Esq.
Cash. Bk. of Camden
S.C.



Mint U.S.

Aug. 12th '45.

Sir, In compliance with the request of Mr. W. L. Grant, Cash. of the Bank of Camden S.C. I send to you the enclosed receipt and memorandum of a deposite of Gold Bullion which he caused to be made in your name. I have sent to Mr. Grant a copy of the Memorandum.

Re

yr

R.M.P.

Dr

W/

J. W. Morrison, Esq.
Cash. Manhattan Company
New York.

Mint U.S.
Aug. 12, 1845.

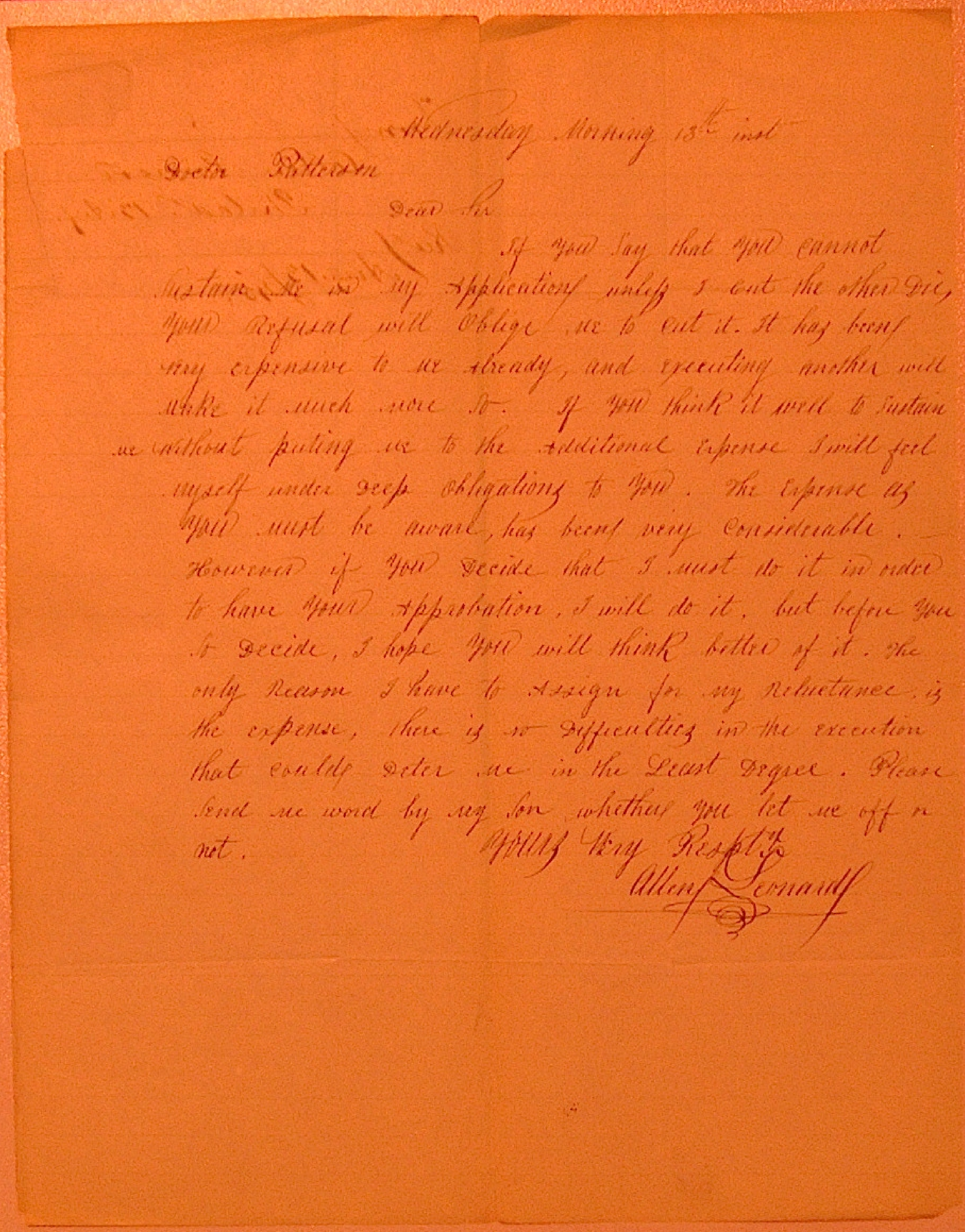
Gentlemen,

I have to request that you will send us an invoice of five tons of cent planchets, on the same terms as heretofore, payable in copper coins.

R. M. Patterson

I ~~have~~ send by one of the Express Lines 4 oz. of Palladium, procured at the only place here where I know it to be kept, and imported from the Laboratory of Johnson, in London. If you will send me a draft for the amount of the enclosed bill, I will see to its being paid.

[The bill is from Goodwin & Mitchell, & is for $30.]



Wednesday Morning 13th inst

Doctor Patterson

Dear Sir

If You Say that You cannot sustain Me in my Applications unless I cut the other Die, Your Refusal will Oblige me to cut it. It has been very expensive to me already, and executing another will make it much more So. If You think it well to Sustain me without puting me to the Additional expense I will feel myself under Deep Obligations to You. The expense as You must be aware, has been very Considerable. However if You Decide that I must do it in order to have Your Approbation, I will do it, but before You so Decide, I hope You will think better of it. The only Reason I have to Assign for my Reluctance is the expense, there is no Difficulties in the execution that could Deter me in the Least Degree. Please send me word by my Son whether you let me off or not.

Yours Very Respt'y

Allen Leonard

Mint of the United States
August 13th, 1845.

Dear Sir,

I find that there is some misunderstanding in your department as to the order in which deposites are to be paid, and that Mr. Sprague supposes that he is authorised to pay the amount of any warrant presented to him, if he have money in his vault sufficient for this purpose.

The provision of law bearing upon this subject is — "that the payments shall be made, if demanded, in the order in which the bullion shall have been brought to the Mint, giving priority according to priority of deposite only".

To carry this law into execution according to its true spirit, it is required that no depositor shall be paid the amount of his warrant, when such payment would interfere with that of other depositors having priority of claim.

To avoid the risk of infringing this rule, it is proper that the Clerk of the Weigh-room, in every case of doubt, should procure a list of the unpaid depositors, with the dates and amounts of their deposites, and that he decline making payment, in any case, where his so doing would reduce the amount of coins, of the kind required, in his vault, below that of the unpaid warrants of prior date.

Provided, that if there be a prior claim so large as that its payment would be necessarily delayed until a new delivery should be made by the Chief Coiner, then

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And provided also, that if, in any case, an actual demand of payment have not been made, and there be no reason to believe that it will be promptly required, then subsequent warrants may be paid without regard to this prior one; but the Clerk of the Weigh Room shall not act, in such case, without the express instructions of the Treasurer.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant,

R. M. Patterson
Director

To/
Isaac Roach, Esq.
Treasurer of the United States Mint.

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R. M. Patterson,
Direct.

To Isaac Roach, Esq.
Treasurer of U.S. Mint.

[illegible] Constantinople 14 – 1845

Constantinople August 14. 1845.

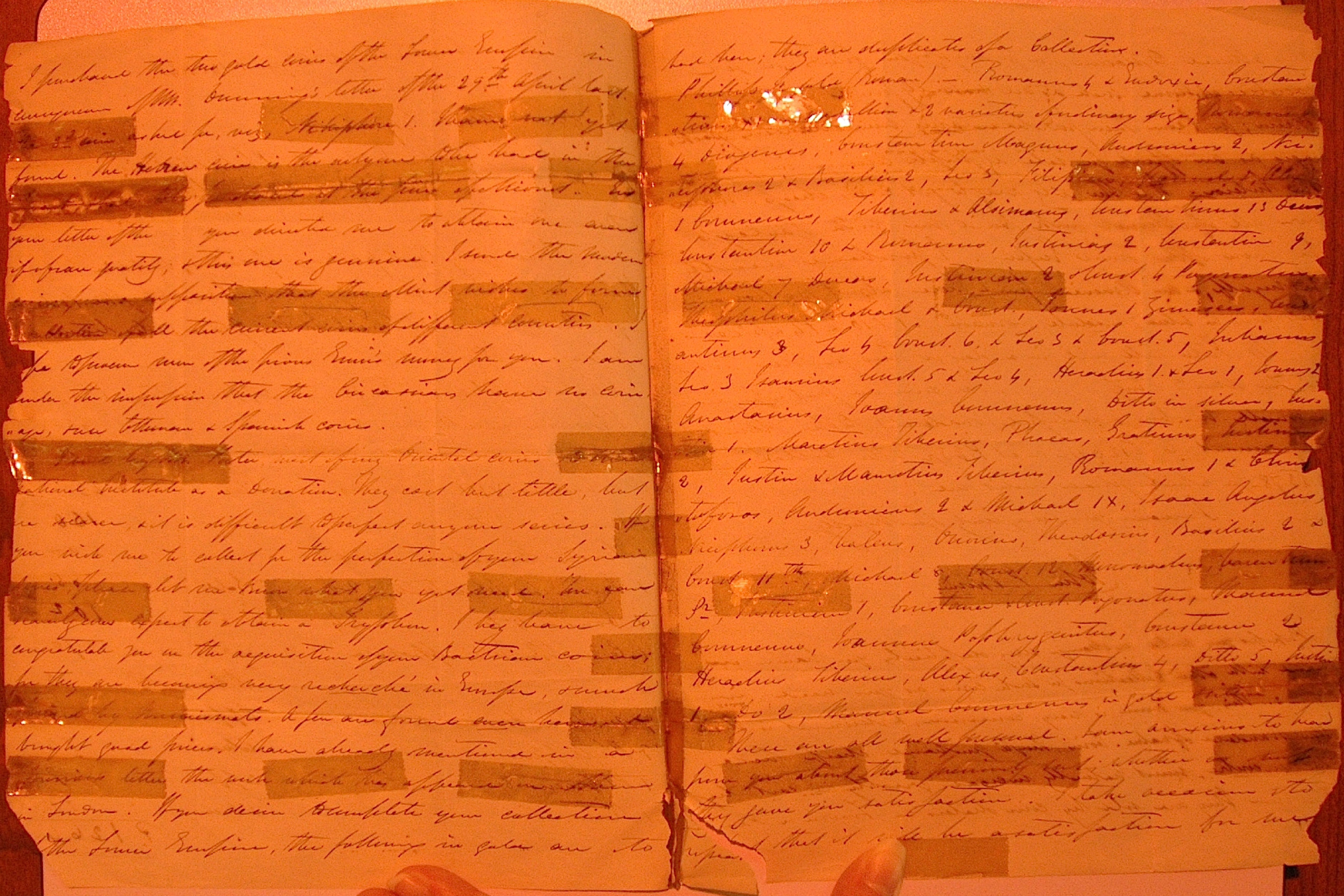
To R. M. Patterson Esqr
Director U. S. Mint. Philadelphia.

Dear Sir,

Since my last package of coins, sent via Smyrna, I have collected the following which I send by Mr [illegible] my brother in law, U. S. Consul for this place, who leaves in a few days for the U. S.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ✓ 1 Cleopatra Silene | Grs 18. | copper, antique | | P30. |
| 1 Ptolomeus [illegible] | 24. | " | " | 40. |
| " | 4. | " | " | 10. |
| ✓ 1 Antiochus VIII | 100. | silver | " | 230. |
| 1 Demetrius Soter | 60. | " | " | 160. |
| 1 Simeon Maccabeus | 120. | " | " | 500. |
| 1 Justinian coin Byzantine | 20. | Gold | " | 85. |
| 1 Constantius 2 | 24 | " | " | 102 |
| 1 Coin of the Emir of Bokhara | | " | | 70. |
| " " " | | silver | | 3. |
| ✓ modern Persian coins | | copper | | 2. |
| ✓ 1 Phillippus | | silver | | 10. |
| 1 Ptolomeus [illegible] | [illegible] | copper | | [illegible] |
| ✓ 1 Siam Coin | | silver | | 15. |
| | | | | P. 1264 |

Those marked ✓ being duplicates, have been taken by Mr Moore, at these prices. Nov 4. 1845.



I purchased the two gold coins of the Lower Empire in [illegible] of Mr. Cunningham's letter of the 29th April last. The 3d coin asked for, viz. Nicephorus 1. I have not yet found. The Hebrew coin is the only one I then had in the [illegible] cabinet at the time of the [illegible]. [illegible] your letter of the [illegible] you directed me to obtain one and if procure gratis, & this one is genuine. I send the under[illegible] [illegible] supposition that the Mint wishes to form a collection of all the current coins of different countries. I hope to procure some of the Prince Ismail's money for you. I am under the impression that the Circassians have no coin[illegible] [illegible] use Ottoman & Spanish coins.

I send by your [illegible] Walter [illegible] of my Oriental coins [illegible] National Institute as a donation. They cost but little, but are scarce, & it is difficult to perfect any one series. If you wish me to collect for the perfection of your Syrian series please let me know what you yet need. Are you [illegible] expect to obtain a Seyphon. I beg leave to congratulate you on the acquisition of your Bactrian coins; for they are becoming very recherché in Europe, & much [illegible] by numismats. A few are found even here & have brought good prices. I have already mentioned in a previous letter the work which has appeared on them in London. If you desire to complete your collection of the Lower Empire, the following in gold are to be had here; they are duplicates of a Collection.

Philip [illegible] (Roman). — Romanus 4 & Eudoxia, Constantine [illegible] & 2 varieties of ordinary size, Romanus 4 Diogenes, Constantine Magnus, Andronicus 2, Nicephorus 2 & Basilius 2, Leo 3, Philip[illegible] [illegible] 1 Comnenus, Tiberius & Absimarus, Constantinus 13 Ducas, Constantine 10 & Romanus, Justinian 2, Constantine 9, Michael 7 Ducas, Justinian 2 & Const. 4 Pogonatus, Theophilus, Michael & Const., Ioannes 1 Zimisces, Constantinus 3, Leo 4 Const. 6, & Leo 3 & Const. 5, Julianus, Leo 3 Isauricus Const. 5 & Leo 4, Heraclius 1 & Leo 1, Const. 2 [illegible] Anastasius, Ioannes Comnenus, ditto in silver, Const[illegible] 1, Mauritius Tiberius, Phocas, Gratianus, Justin[illegible] 2, Justin & Mauritius Tiberius, Romanus 1 & Christophorus, Andronicus 2 & Michael IX, Isaac Angelus, Nicephorus 3, Valens, Honorius, Theodosius, Basilius 2 & Const. 11th, Michael 8, Const. 12 Monomachus, Constan[illegible] [illegible], Justinian 1, Constans Const. Pogonatus, Manuel Comnenus, Ioannes Porphyrogenitus, Constans 2, Heraclius Tiberius, Alexius, Constantine 4, ditto 5, Justin[illegible] 1, Leo 2, Manuel Comnenus in gold [illegible].

These are all well preserved. I am anxious to hear from you about those previously sent, whether [illegible] they gave you satisfaction. I take occasion to [illegible] that it will be a satisfaction for me [illegible] upon.

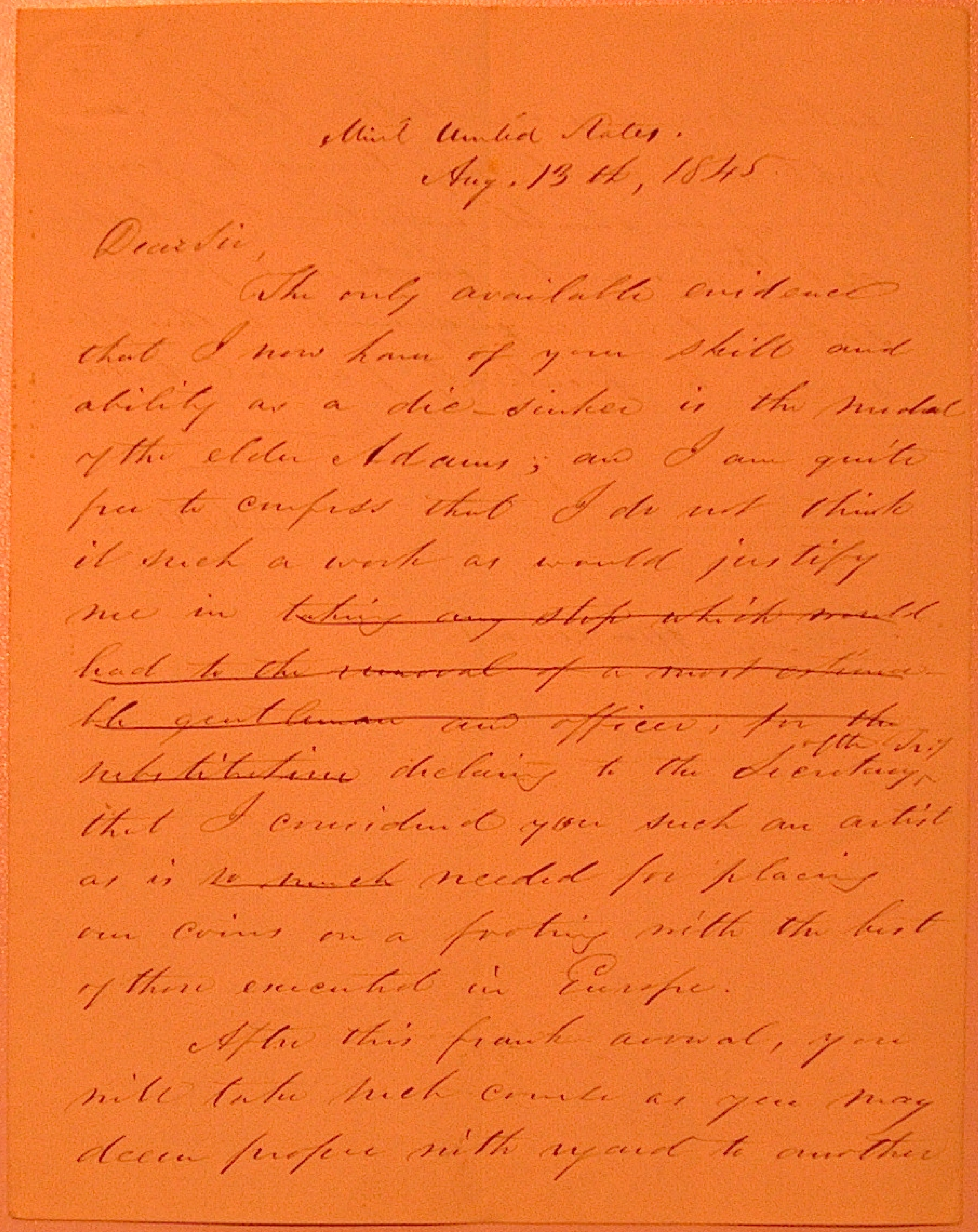
to be allowed to procure coins for any of your friends, or for societies at home, such as are naturally found in Asia [illegible], you can then purchase any miscellaneous packages as are offered for sale by people coming in from the interior. This is the only way to get coins cheap. I have now all of the Mints with Arabic [illegible], with Pauley's for those of the Lower Empire. I purchased recently for myself, of an Armenian friend here, about two Roman Imp. coins in silver, middle & ordinary, at P10 & P4 apiece.

Mr. Porter will sail in a day or two for New York in the Amer.n Ship          . The coins are put up in a small tin box & addressed (soldered) to the Mint. amounting to P1264.- or at P.23½ to the dollar, to $53.78 - for which please credit me.

I remain yours, very truly & faithfully,

John P. Brown

Perhaps you could exchange any duplicates you have on hand with other Collections for such coins as you need in yours. This you know is very common, & I consider is the true standard of value. Coins, though purchased cheap here, in the interior, must naturally increase greatly in cost by the time they are sold by coin dealers in London or Paris.



Mint United States.
Aug. 13th, 1845.

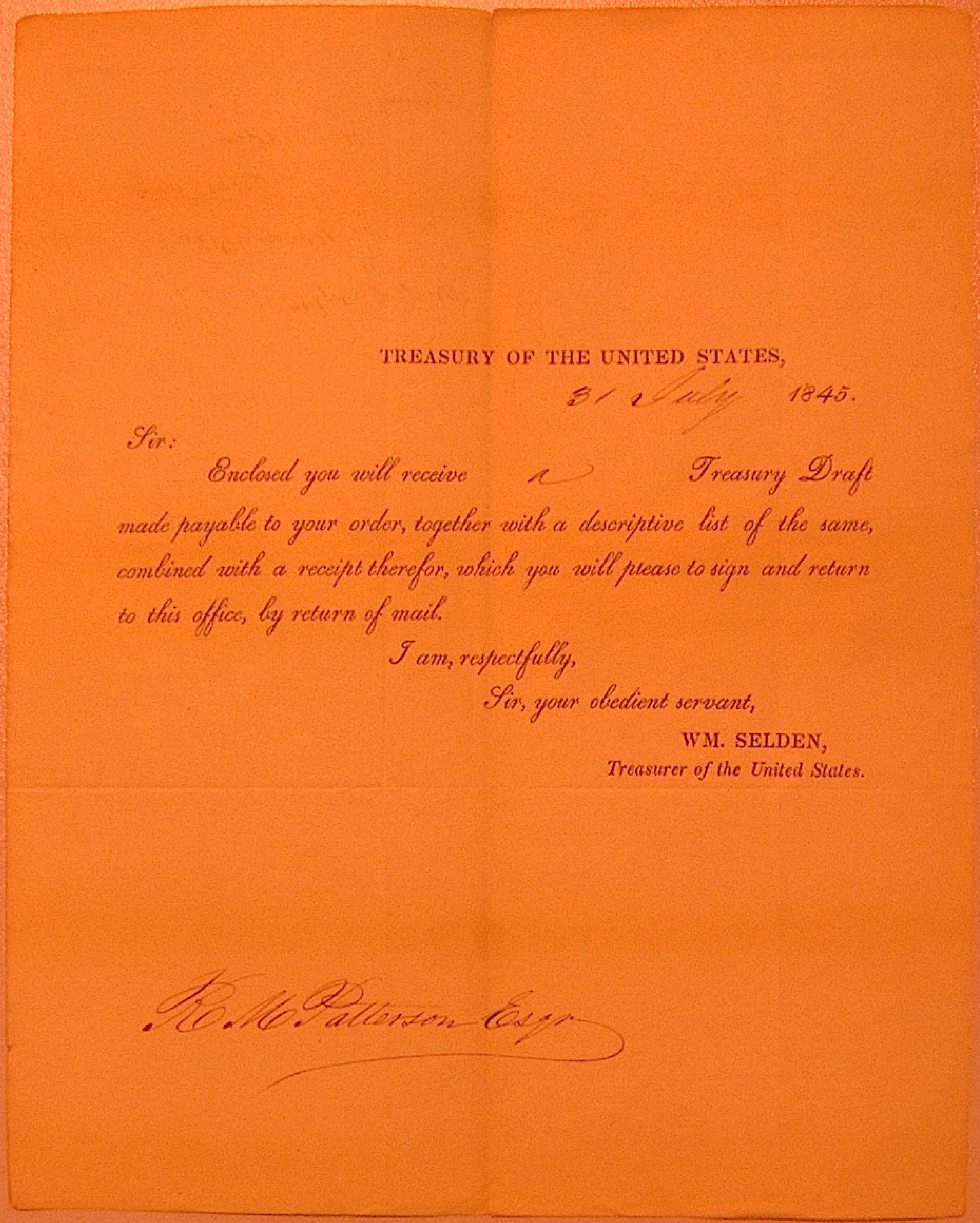
Dear Sir,

The only available evidence that I now have of your skill and ability as a die-sinker is the medal of the elder Adams; and I am quite free to confess that I do not think it such a work as would justify me in ~~taking any step which would lead to the removal of a most estimable gentleman and officer, for the substitution~~ declaring to the Secretary of the Tr'y that I considered you such an artist as is ~~so much~~ needed for placing our coins on a footing with the best of those executed in Europe.

After this frank avowal, you will take such course as you may deem proper with regard to another exhibition of your skill. I have no right to present any terms to you; and if it should unfortunately happen that ~~a~~ the new work ~~should~~ [illegible] not prove satisfactory a judgment to this effect would be peculiarly painful to me.

R.W.P.

To
Mr. Allen Leonard.



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,
31 July 1845.

*Sir:*

*Enclosed you will receive* a *Treasury Draft made payable to your order, together with a descriptive list of the same, combined with a receipt therefor, which you will please to sign and return to this office, by return of mail.*

*I am, respectfully,*
*Sir, your obedient servant,*
WM. SELDEN,
*Treasurer of the United States.*

R. M. Patterson Esqr

Mint U.S. Philada. Aug. 1, /45

Sir,

I have recd. the following Treasury draft payable to my order by the Philadelphia Bank, Phila. No. 304, on Treasury Warrant No. 2512 ——— $1,000

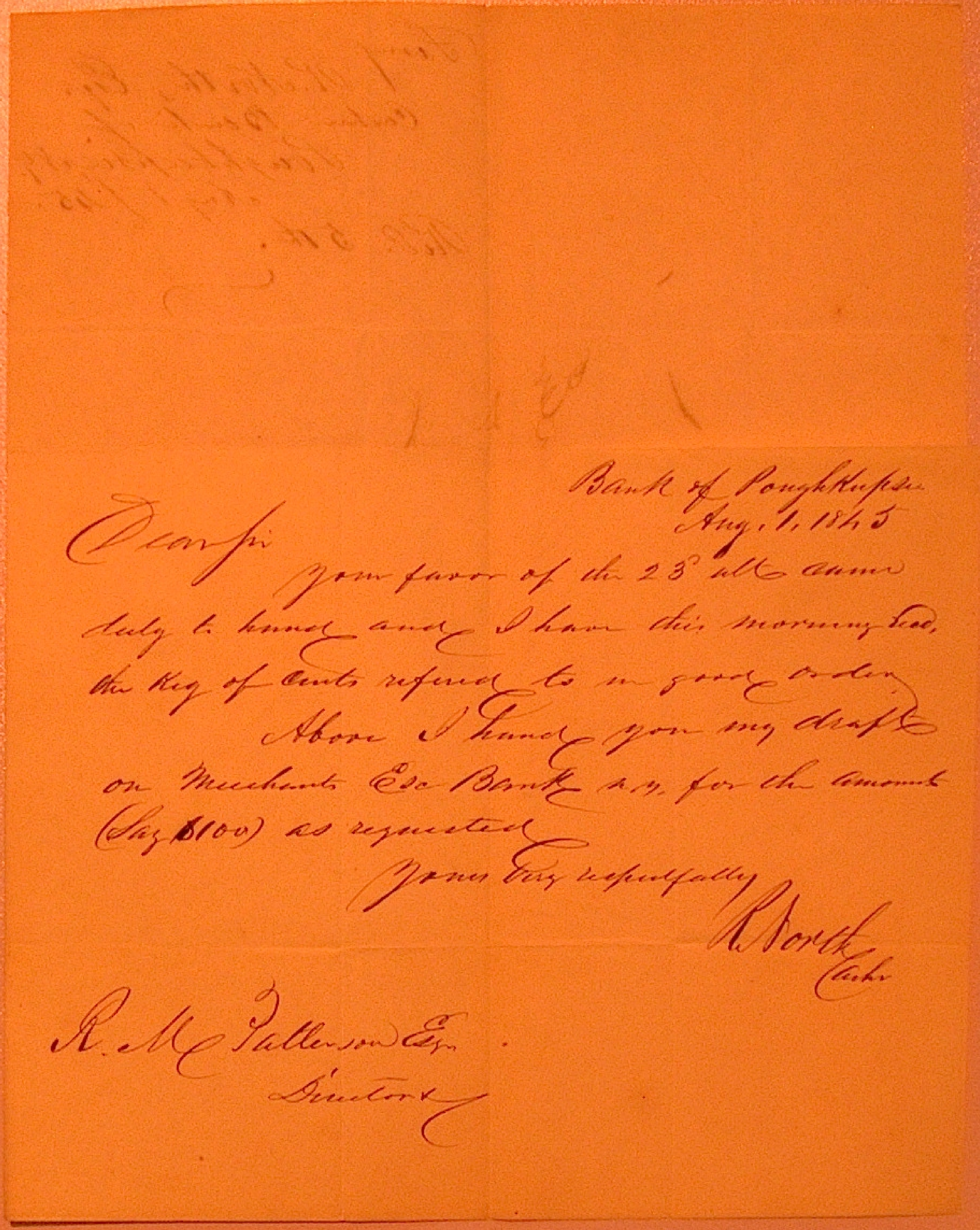
I am sir your obt. Servant

R.M.P.

Dr.

Wm. Selden, Esq.

Treas. U.S.



Bank of Poughkeepsie
Aug. 1. 1845

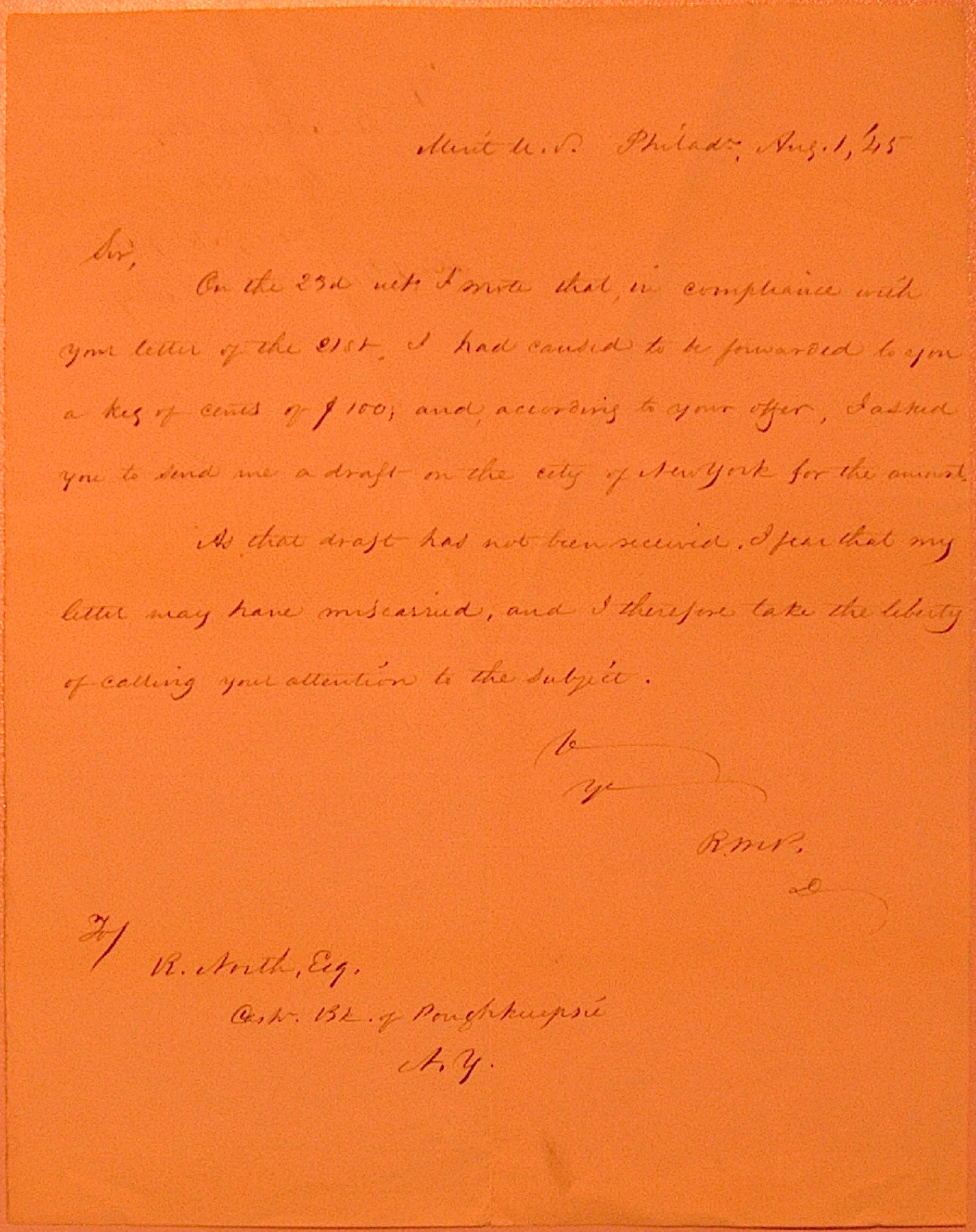
Dear Sir

Your favor of the 23d ult came duly to hand and I have this morning recd the Keg of Cents referred to in good order.

Above I hand you my draft on Merchants Exc Bank N.Y. for the amount (Say $100) as requested

Yours Very respectfully
R North
Cashr

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director



Mint U.S. Philada. Aug. 1, '45

Sir,

On the 23d ult. I wrote that, in compliance with your letter of the 21st, I had caused to be forwarded to you a keg of cents of $100; and, according to your offer, I asked you to send me a draft on the city of New York for the amount.

As that draft has not been received, I fear that my letter may have miscarried, and I therefore take the liberty of calling your attention to the subject.

I
Yr

R.M.P.

D

To/
R. North, Esq.
Cashr. Bk. of Poughkeepsie
N.Y.

The Bank of Camden South Carolina
9 Augt. 1845

Dear Sir

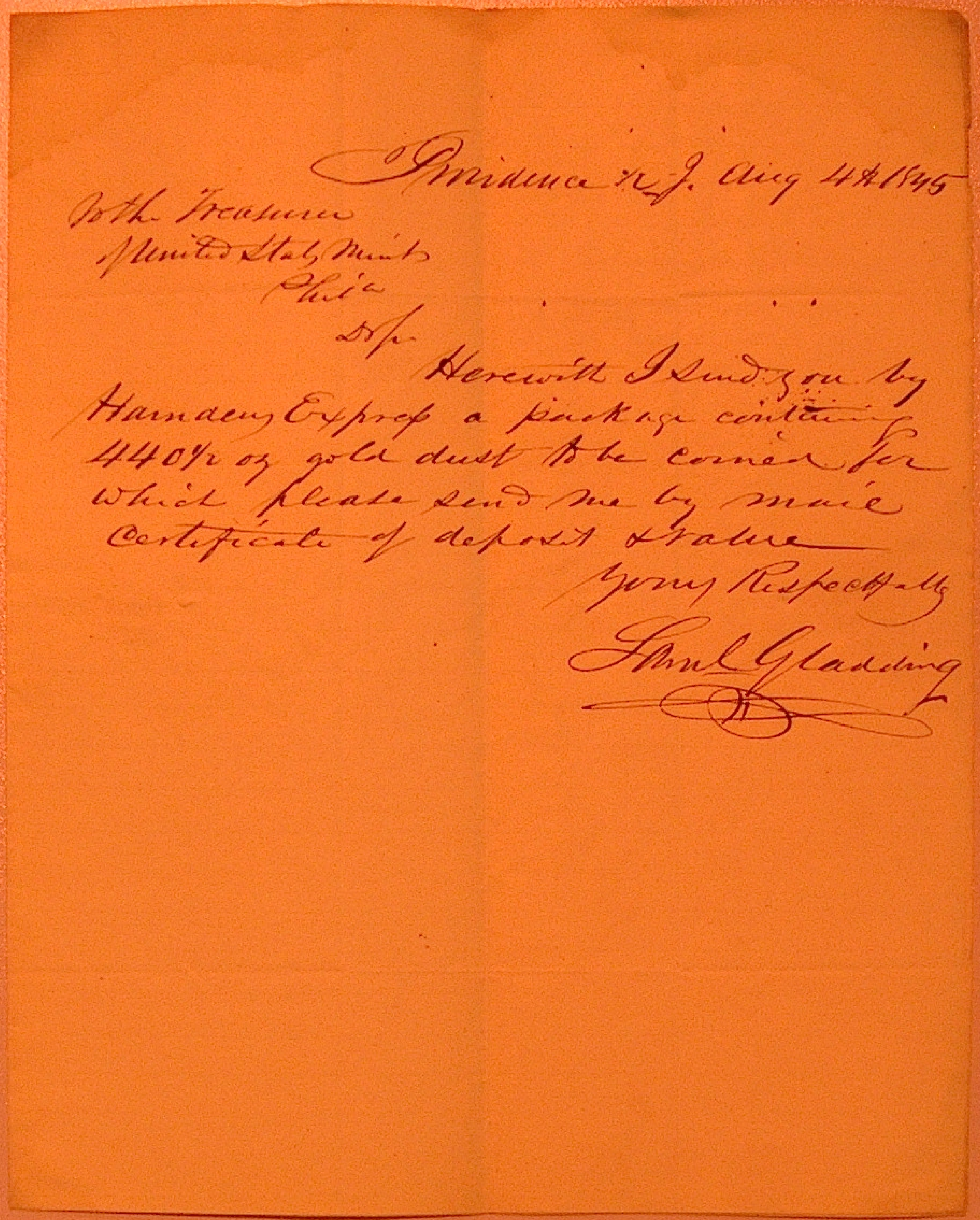
I forward p[er] E. W. Brown for coinage a small parcel of Gold Bullion, by Your usual attention to which You will much oblige me.

I will thank You to forward the memorandum of the Assay, and the Mint Certificate for the Coin, to J. M. Morrison Esq Cashr of the Manhattan Company New York etc. for account of this Bank. The Mem: of Assay, will be forwarded me by him, as it is important to my settlement with the parties.

I am afraid that circumstances compel me to impose on You unusual trouble; but until the reopening of the Branch at Charlotte I have no alternative. With my thanks for Your past attention, I am very Respy

Your obt Servt

Cashr



Providence R. I. Aug 4th 1845

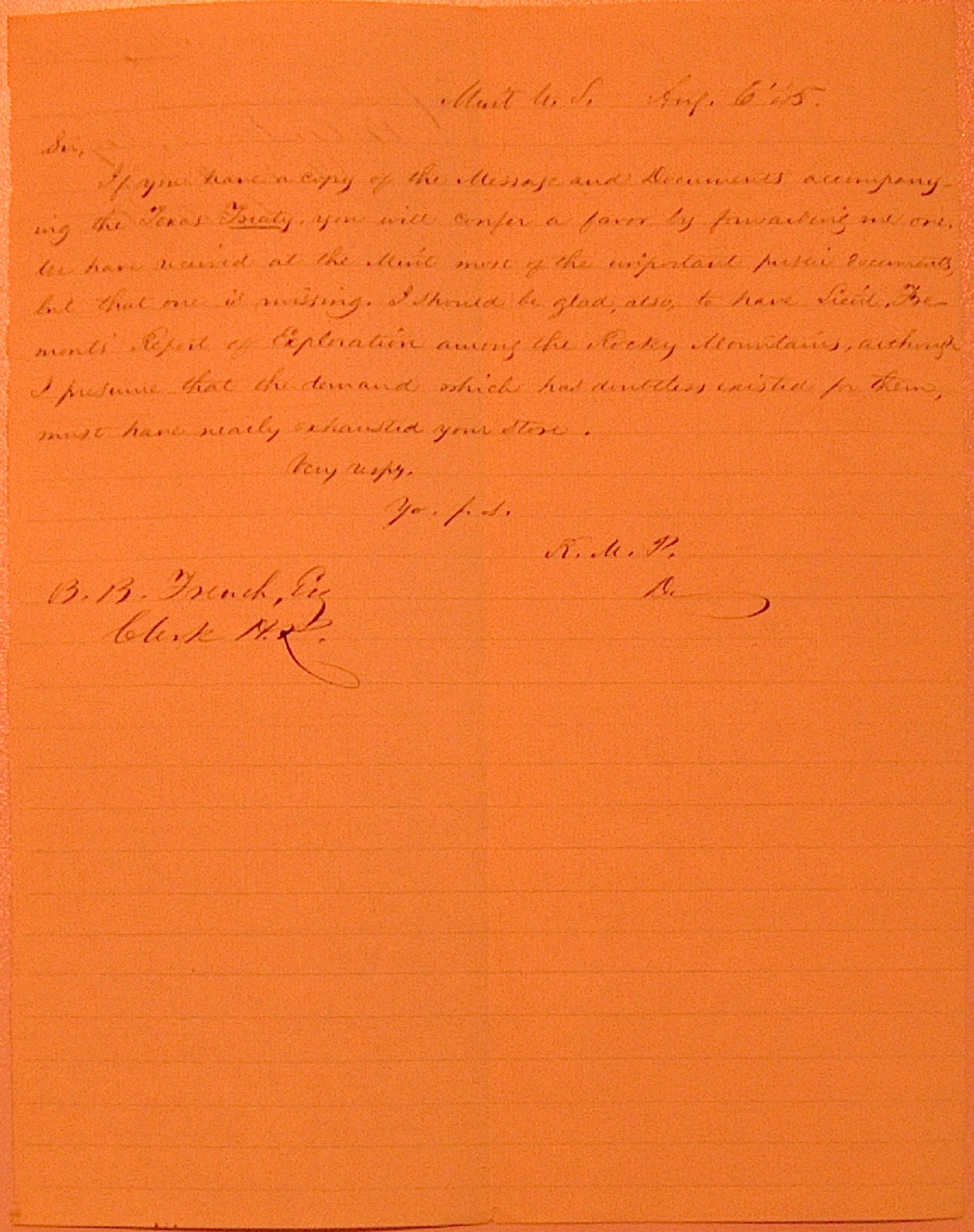
To the Treasurer
of United States Mint
Phil^a

D^r Sir

Herewith I send you by Harnden's Express a package containing 440½ oz gold dust to be coined for which please send me by mail certificate of deposit & value

Yours Respectfully

Saml Gladding



Mint U. S. Aug. 6. '45.

Sir,

If you have a copy of the Message and Documents accompanying the Texas Treaty, you will confer a favor by forwarding me one. We have received at the Mint most of the important public Documents, but that one is missing. I should be glad, also, to have Lieut. Fremont's Report of Exploration among the Rocky Mountains, although I presume that the demand which has doubtless existed for them, must have nearly exhausted your store.

Very respy.

Yo. ob. s.

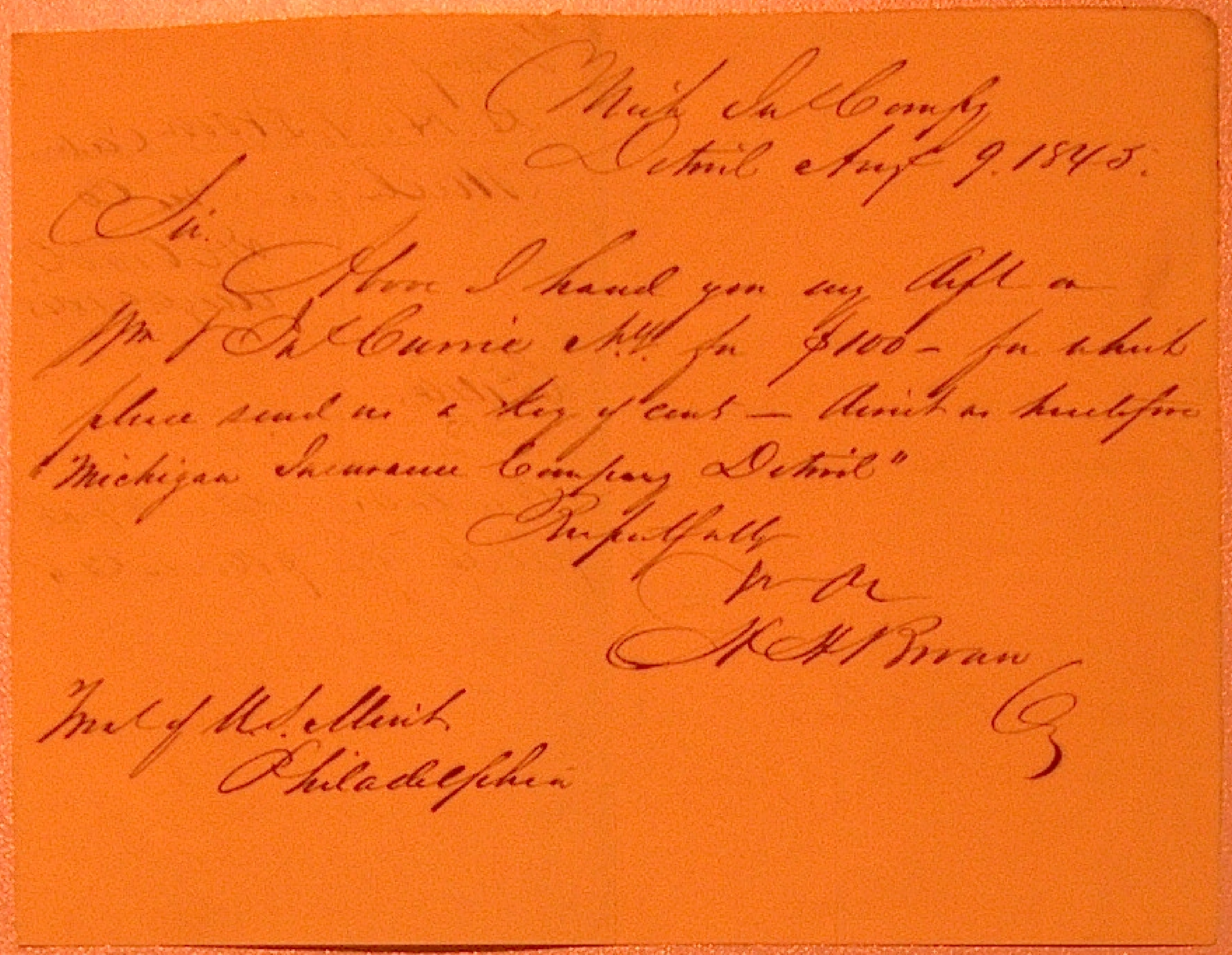
R. M. P.

D

B. B. French, Esq.
Clerk H. R.

The Treasury Department would be glad to hear from Dr Patterson his views as to the Engraver of the mint, as to the qualifications of the incumbent as well as of any other applicant. Augt 9. 1845.

R J Walker



Mich. Ins. Compy
Detroit Aug. 9. 1845.

Sir

Above I hand you my Dft on Wm & Jas. McCurrie N.Y. for $100 — for which please send us a keg of cents — direct as heretofore "Michigan Insurance Company Detroit"

Respectfully
Yr. Ob.
H. H. Brown
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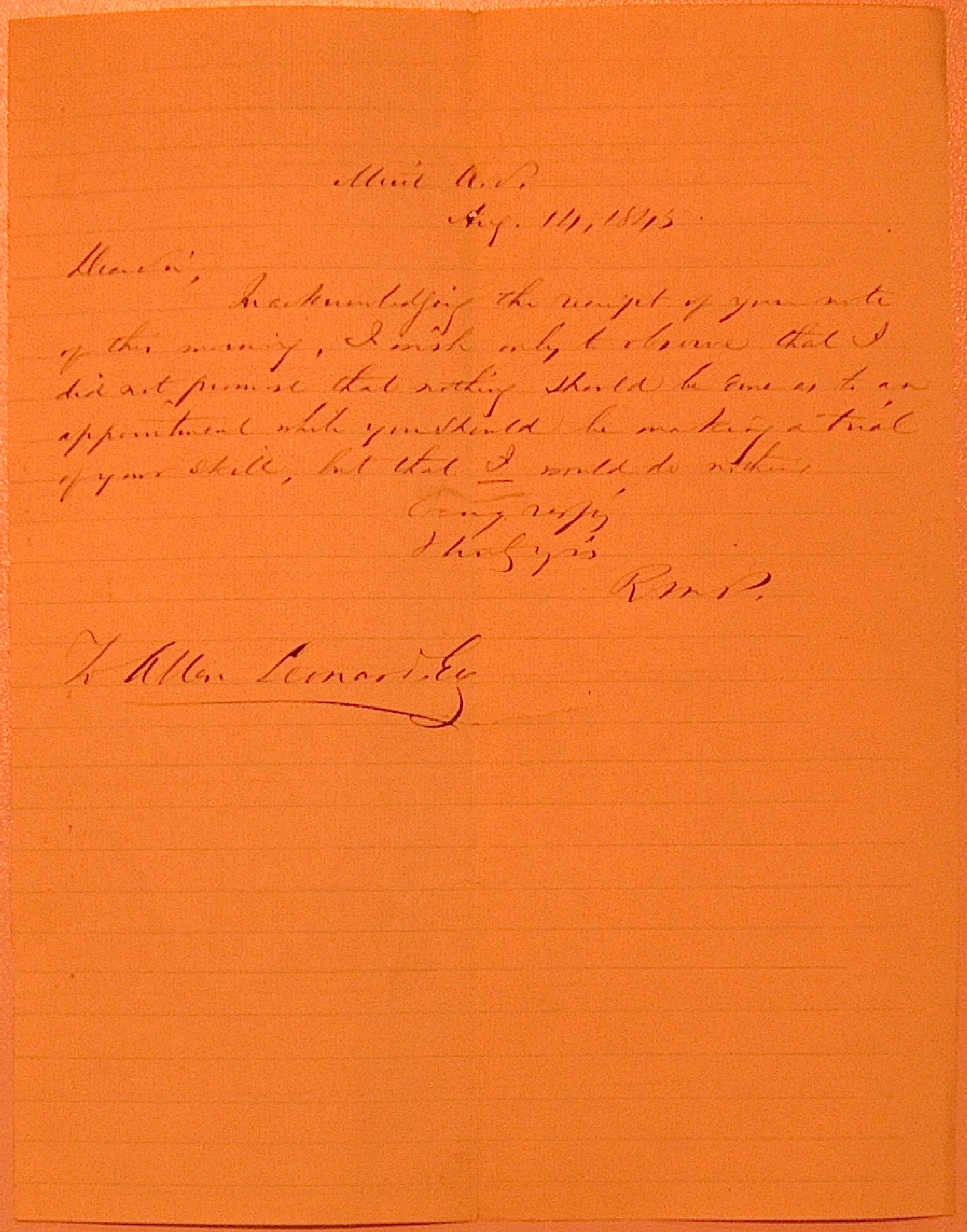
Treas. of U.S. Mint
Philadelphia



Mint U.S.

Aug. 14, 1845

Dear Sir,

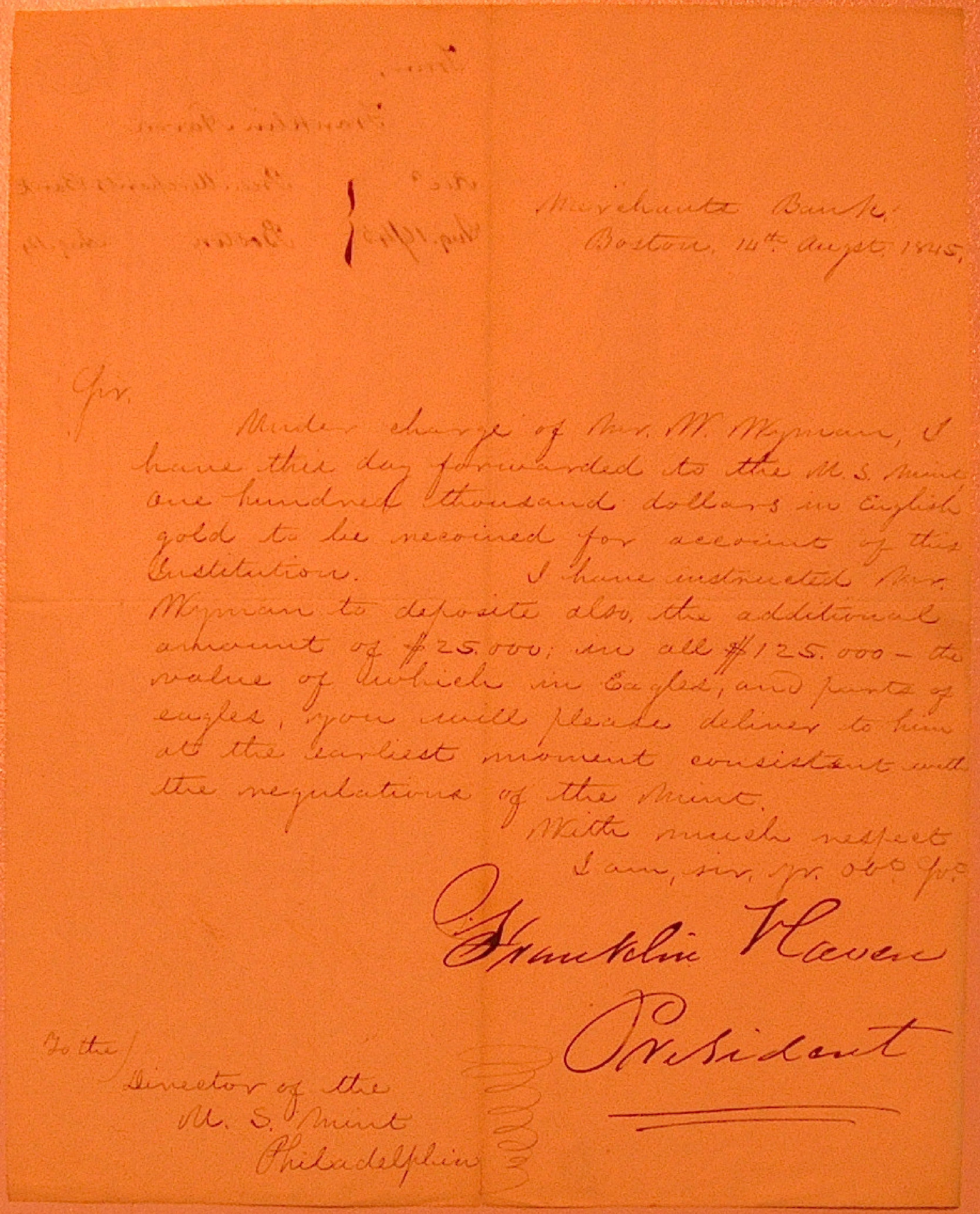
In acknowledging the receipt of your note of this morning, I wish only to observe that I did not promise that nothing should be done as to an appointment while you should be making a trial of your skill, but that I would do nothing.

Very resp'y

Truly yrs

R.M.P.

L. Allen Leonard Esq



Merchants Bank.
Boston. 14th Augst. 1845.

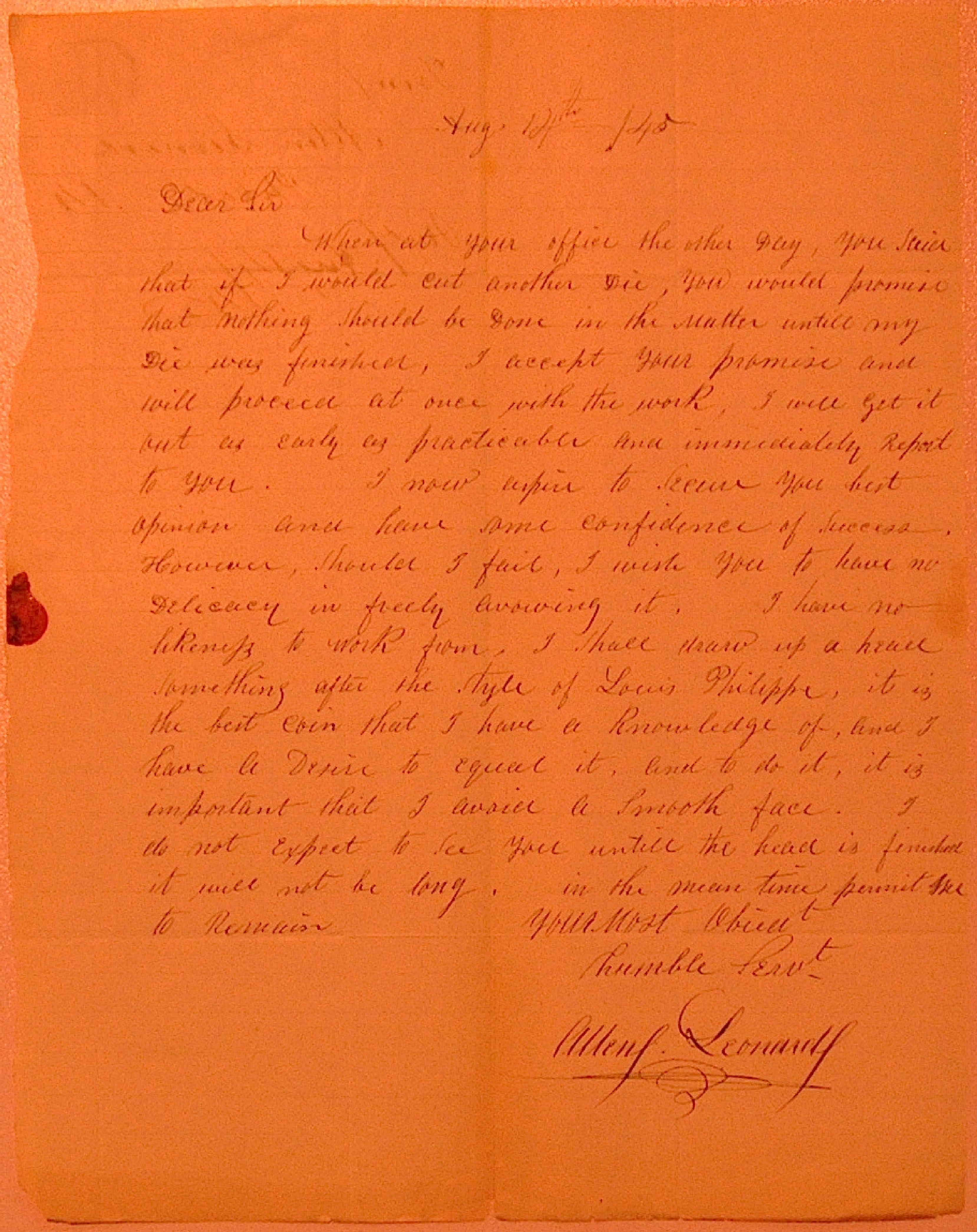
Sir.

Under charge of Mr. W. Wyman, I have this day forwarded to the U. S. Mint one hundred thousand dollars in English gold to be recoined for account of this Institution. I have instructed Mr. Wyman to deposite also, the additional amount of $25.000; in all $125.000 – the value of which in Eagles, and parts of eagles, you will please deliver to him at the earliest moment consistent with the regulations of the Mint.

With much respect
I am, sir, yr. obt. svt.

Franklin Haven
President

To the
Director of the
U. S. Mint
Philadelphia



Aug. 17th 45

Dear Sir

When at your office the other Day, you said that if I would cut another Die, you would promise that nothing should be Done in the Matter untill my Die was finished, I accept your promise and will proceed at once with the work, I will get it out as early as practicable and immediately Report to you. I now aspire to secure your best opinion and have some confidence of success. However, should I fail, I wish you to have no Delicacy in freely avowing it. I have no likeness to work from, I shall draw up a head something after the Style of Louis Philippe, it is the best coin that I have a knowledge of, and I have a Desire to equal it, and to do it, it is important that I avoid a smooth face. I do not Expect to see you untill the head is finished it will not be long. in the mean time permit me to Remain

Your Most Obed$^{t}$
humble Serv$^{t}$

Allen S. Leonard

Mint U.S.
Aug. 20, 1845.

Sir,

Your note of the 7th inst., asking my views with regard to the office of Engraver of the Mint, was handed to me by Mr. Leonard, who is an applicant for that Situation.

The present incumbent, Mr. Longacre, is a gentleman of excellent character, highly regarded in this community, and has acquired some celebrity as an engraver on Copper; ~~He is competent to~~ but he is not a Die-Sinker. Indeed I do not know that he has ever made an attempt in this art. For the mere routine work of the Mint, however, it is not required. So long as we can rest contented with our present coins, the making of the dies used for the Mints will be a mere mechanical operation, and the office of Engraver little more than a Sinecure. I confess, however, that

I am not myself contented with our coins as works of art; and if I knew a man of real taste, talent, and skill, who could make for us a new set of original dies, I would not hesitate to recommend him for appointment at the Mint. But I ~~have~~ do not know any such person in the United States, and I doubt if there be one.

Mr. Leonard has, until now, built his pretensions upon a ~~die~~ medal which he ~~cut~~ engraved of the head of the elder Adams. I have frankly told him that I did not consider it a satisfactory evidence of his ability to ~~fit~~ to make the dies required for the Mint; and I am quite sure that, in this judgment, I should be joined by any man of taste. He feels confident, however, that he can execute a die that would be satisfactory, and he is now engaged in cutting one, ~~in low~~ as a test, in the low relief required for coins.

When he has completed this work, he will bring it to me, and will make report to you of his success.

R. M. P.
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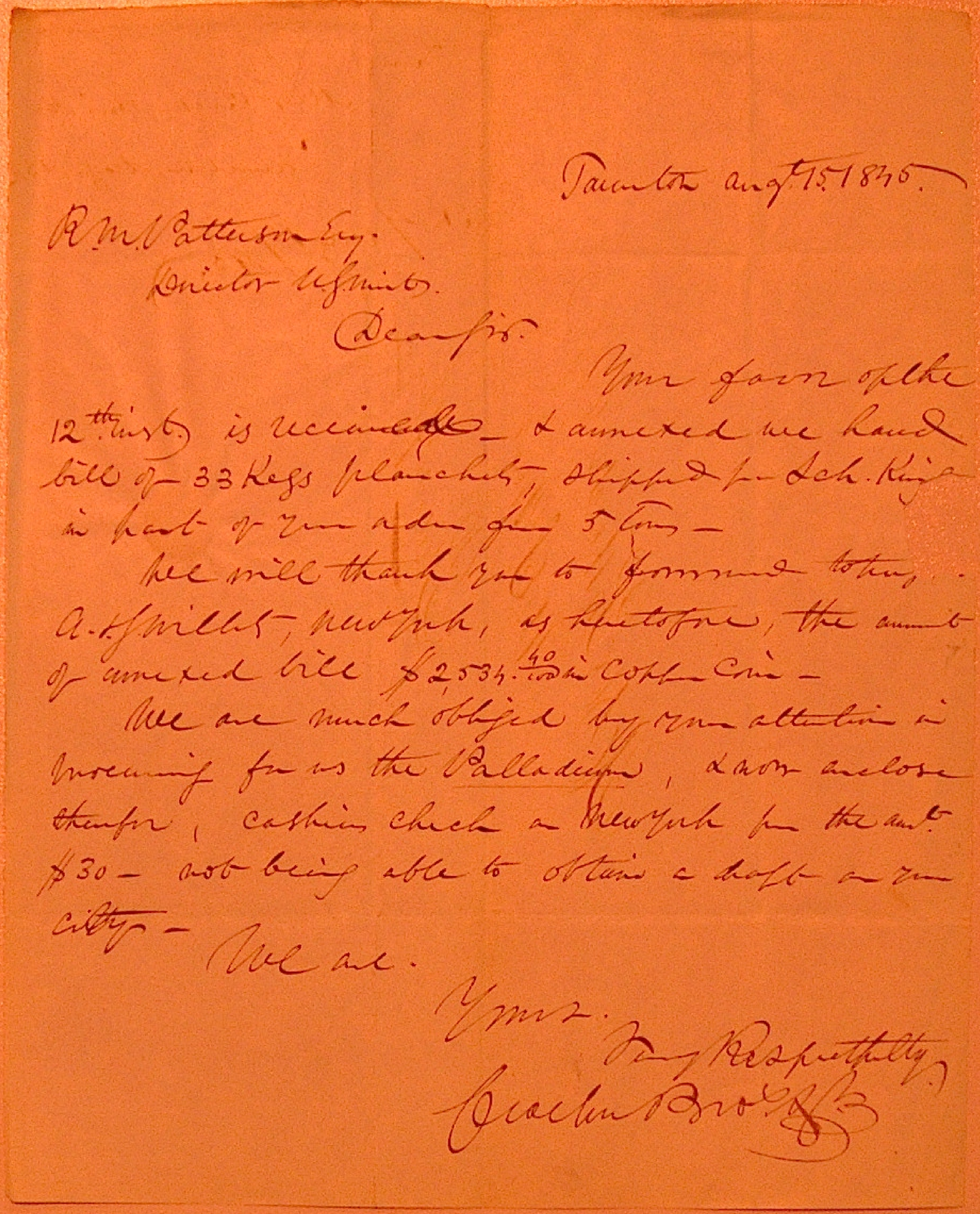
To/ Hon. R. J. Walker,
Secretary of the Treasury.



Taunton Augt. 15. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U.S. Mint.
Dear Sir.

Your favor of the 12th inst. is received — & annexed we hand bill of 33 Kegs planchets, shipped per Sch. King in part of your order for 5 Tons —

We will thank you to forward to Mess. A. & G. Willets, New York, as heretofore, the amount of annexed bill $2,534.40/100 in Copper Coin —

We are much obliged by your attention in procuring for us the Palladium, & now enclose therefor, cashiers check on New York for the amt. $30 — not being able to obtain a draft on your city —

We are
Yours
Very Respectfully
Crocker Bros & Co.

The Bank of Camden South Carolina
16 Aug 1846.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director U. S. Mint
Philada. Pa. } Dear Sir,

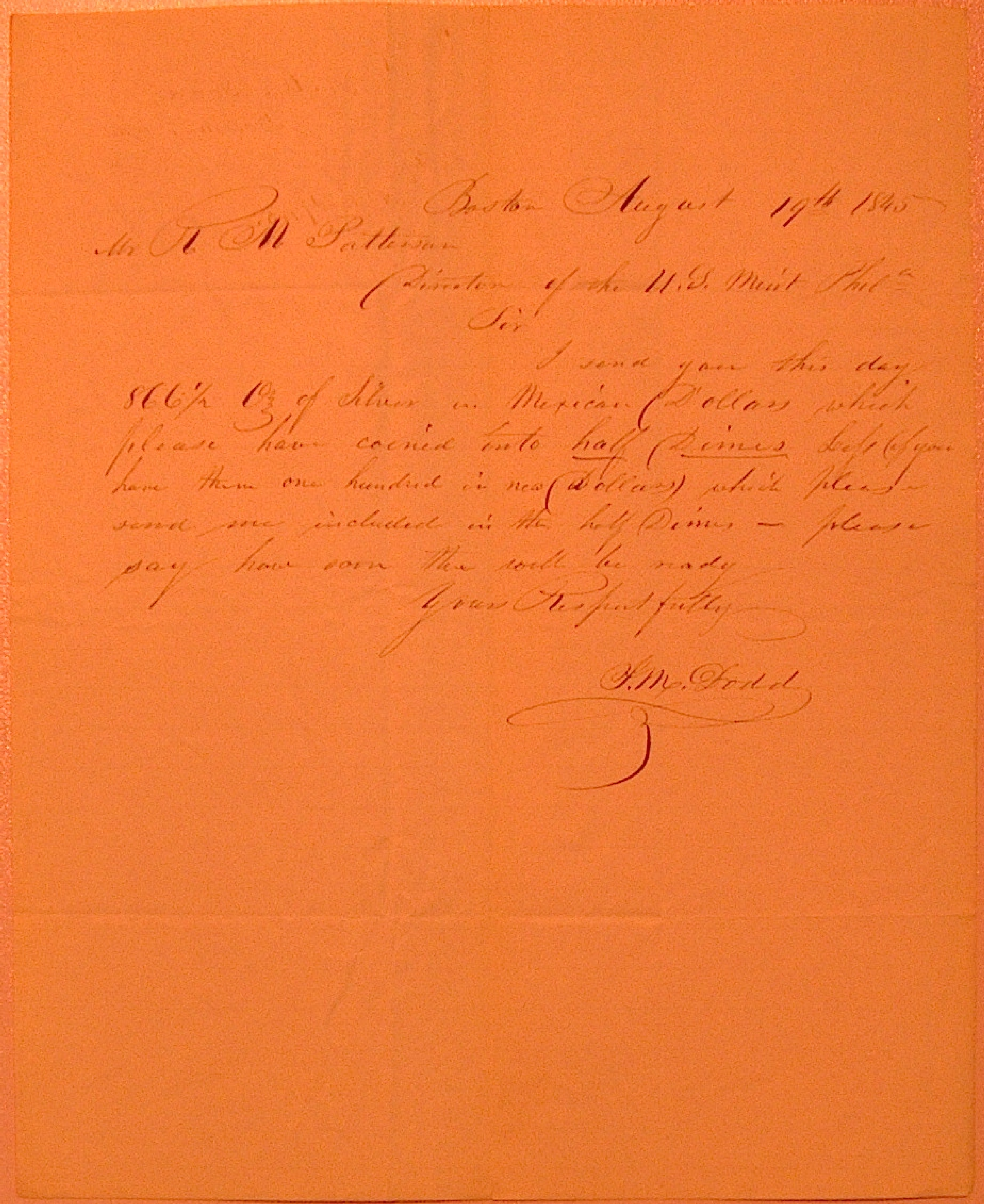
I am obliged this morning by Your favor of 12 Aug. covering Duplicate memoranda of assay of Bullion forwarded by Mr Bonney, for your attention to which I beg to tender You my thanks.

By Mr Mathieson who will leave on Monday I forward another parcel of Bullion in packages numbered 1. to 7. inclusive. Each number is desired to be assayed separately, but the several bars of the same number need not be separated, all the pieces of each number having been taken from one individual.

Should Mr M. remain long enough in Your City he will take Charge of the Memoranda of assay and the Mint Certificate. Having some thoughts of opening a correspondence in Your City, Mr Mathieson may have occasion to dispose of the Coin there. If so, the Certificate can be regulated accordingly.

Should Mr M. go on to New York before he can get the papers, I will thank You to forward them to Mr Morrison Cashr N.Yk. as You did with that taken on by Mr Bonney.

I am very sincerely, Respectfully
Yours
W J [illegible] Cashr



Boston August 19th 1845

Mr R. M. Patterson

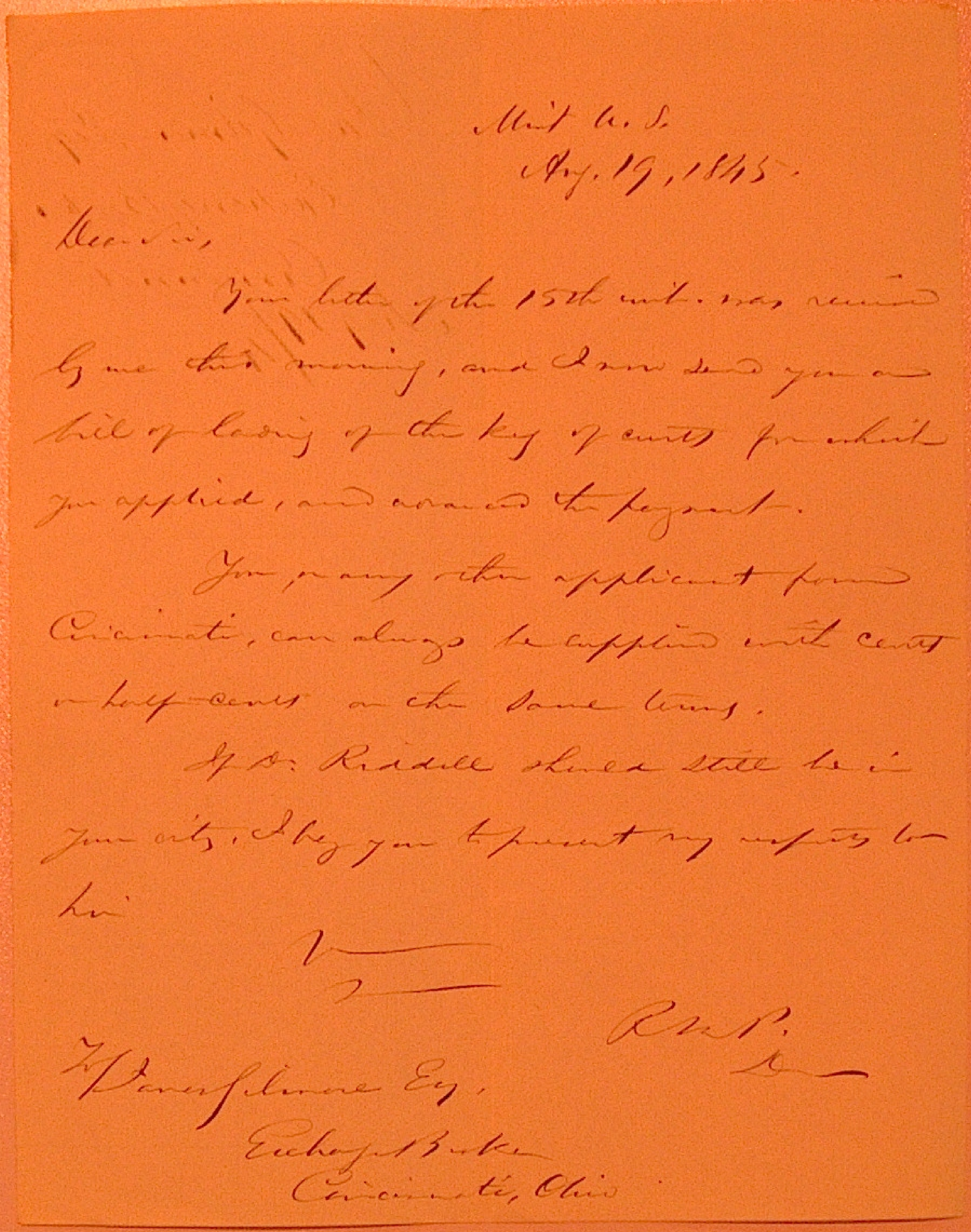
Director of the U.S. Mint Phila

Sir

I send you this day 866½ Oz of Silver in Mexican Dollars which please have coined into half Dimes but if you have them one hundred in new Dollars which please send me included in the half Dimes — please say how soon they will be ready

Yours Respectfully

F. M. Dodd



Mint U. S.
Aug. 19, 1845.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 15th inst. was received by me this morning, and I now send you a bill of lading of the keg of cents for which you applied, and advanced the payment.

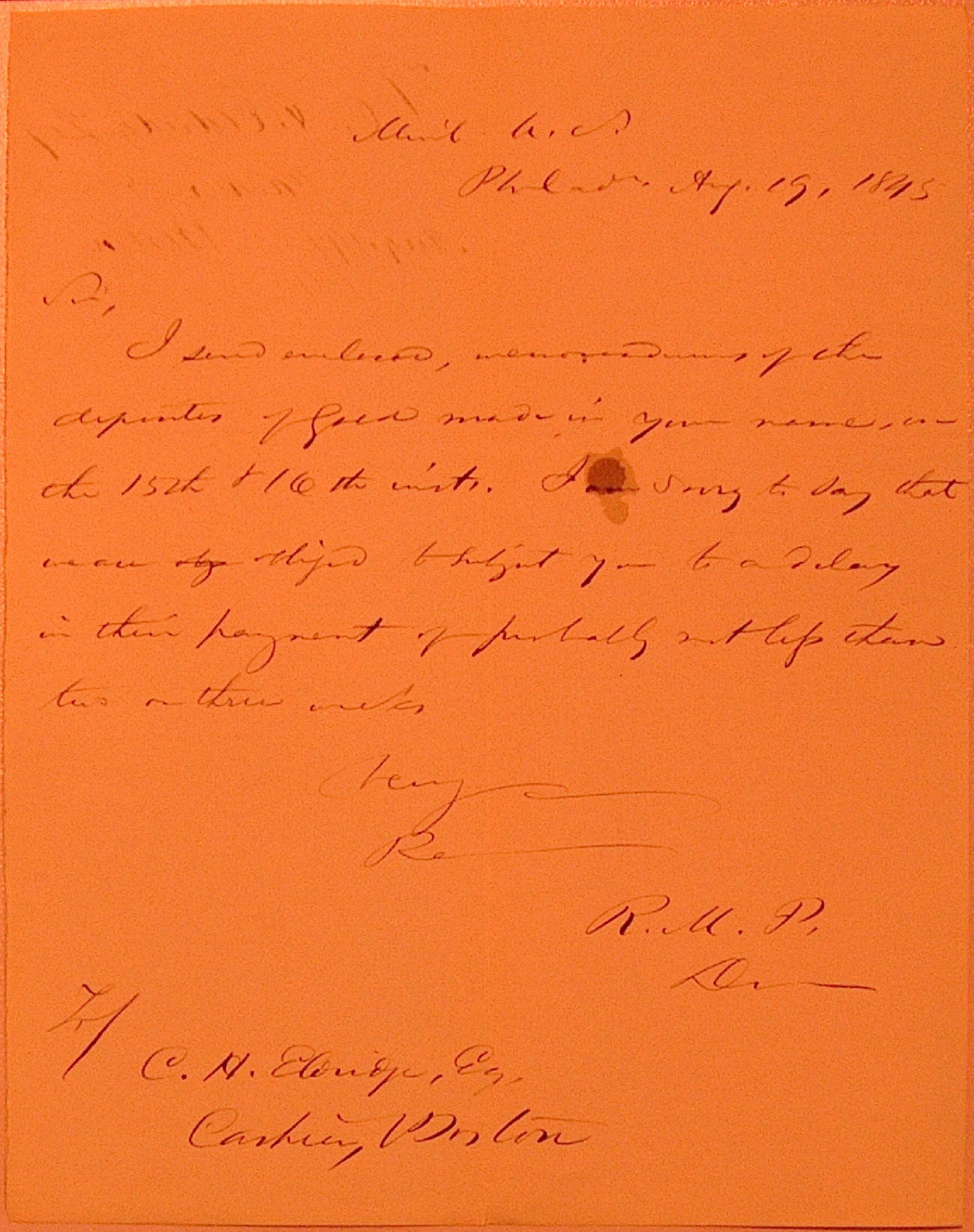
You, or any other applicant from Cincinnati, can always be supplied with cents or half-cents on the same terms.

If Dr. Riddell should still be in your city, I beg you to present my respects to him.

V——
y——

R. M. P.
Dir

To Davis Gilmore Esq.
Exchange Broker
Cincinnati, Ohio



Mint U.S.

Philada. Aug. 19, 1845

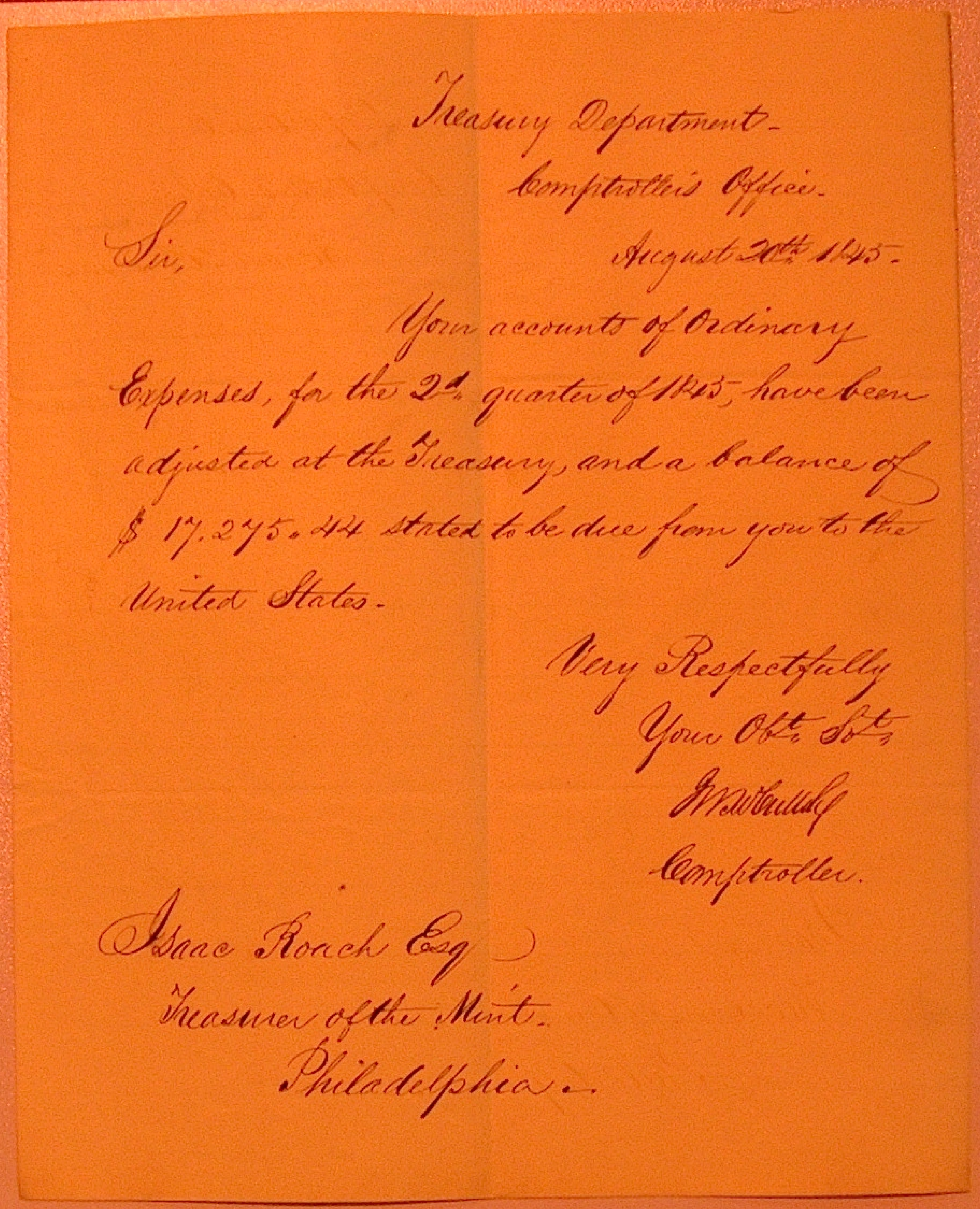
Sir,

I send enclosed, memorandums of the deposites of gold made, in your name, on the 15th & 16th insts. I am sorry to say that we are obliged to subject you to a delay in their payment of probably not less than two or three weeks

Very
Re

R. M. P.
Dir

To/
C. H. Eldridge, Esq.
Cashier, Boston



Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office.

Sir, August 20th 1845.

Your accounts of Ordinary Expenses, for the 2d quarter of 1845, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 17.275.44 stated to be due from you to the United States.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svt
J W McCulloh
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

14,975.24
300.00
2,000.00

$17,275.24

Mint U.S. Aug. 20/45

Sir, I have the honor to request that you will issue your ~~transfer~~ warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Two thousand dollars ($2000.) out of the appropriation, for the current year, for wages of workmen at this Mint

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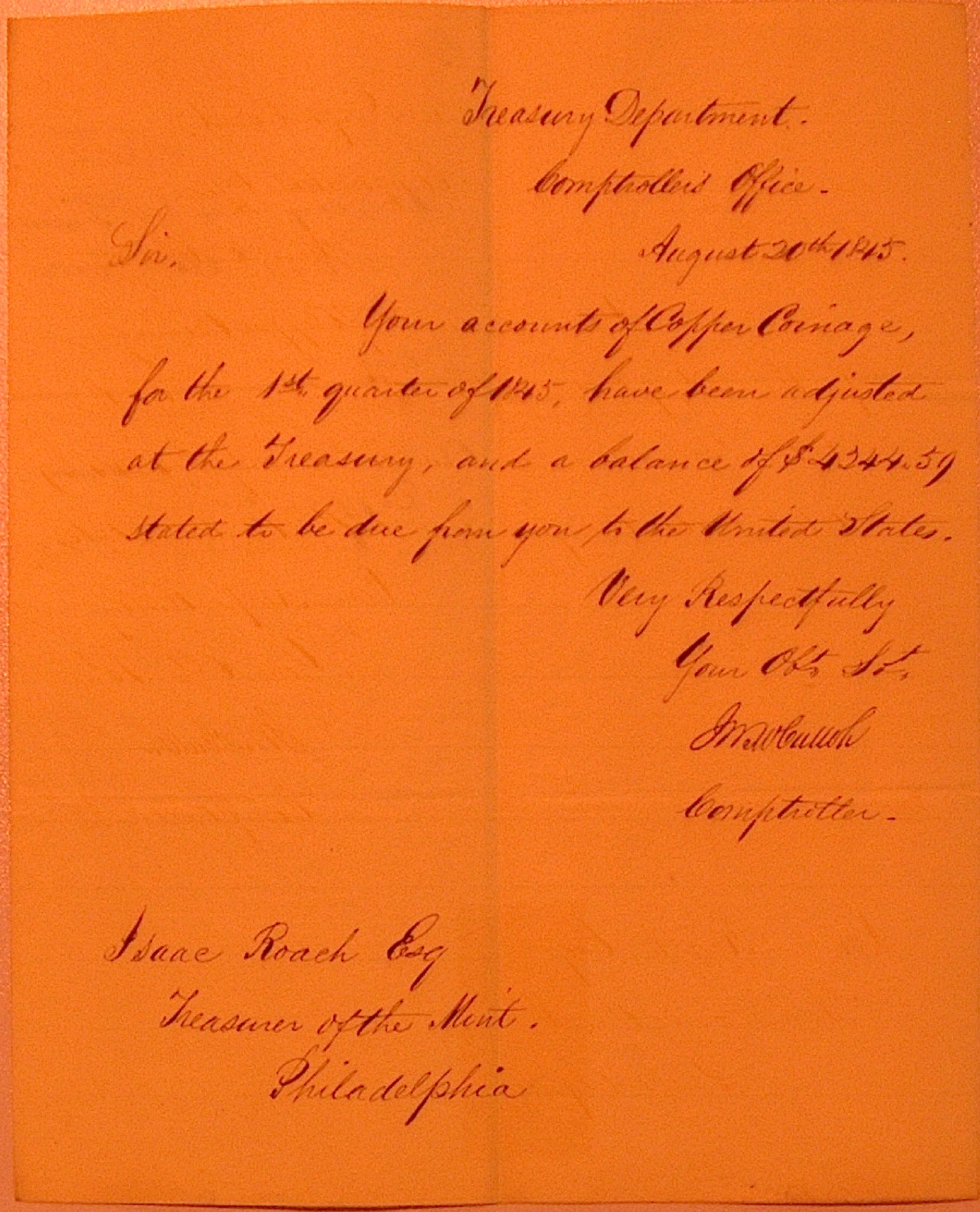
R.M.P.

Dr

To Hon. R. J. Walker

Sec. of Treasury



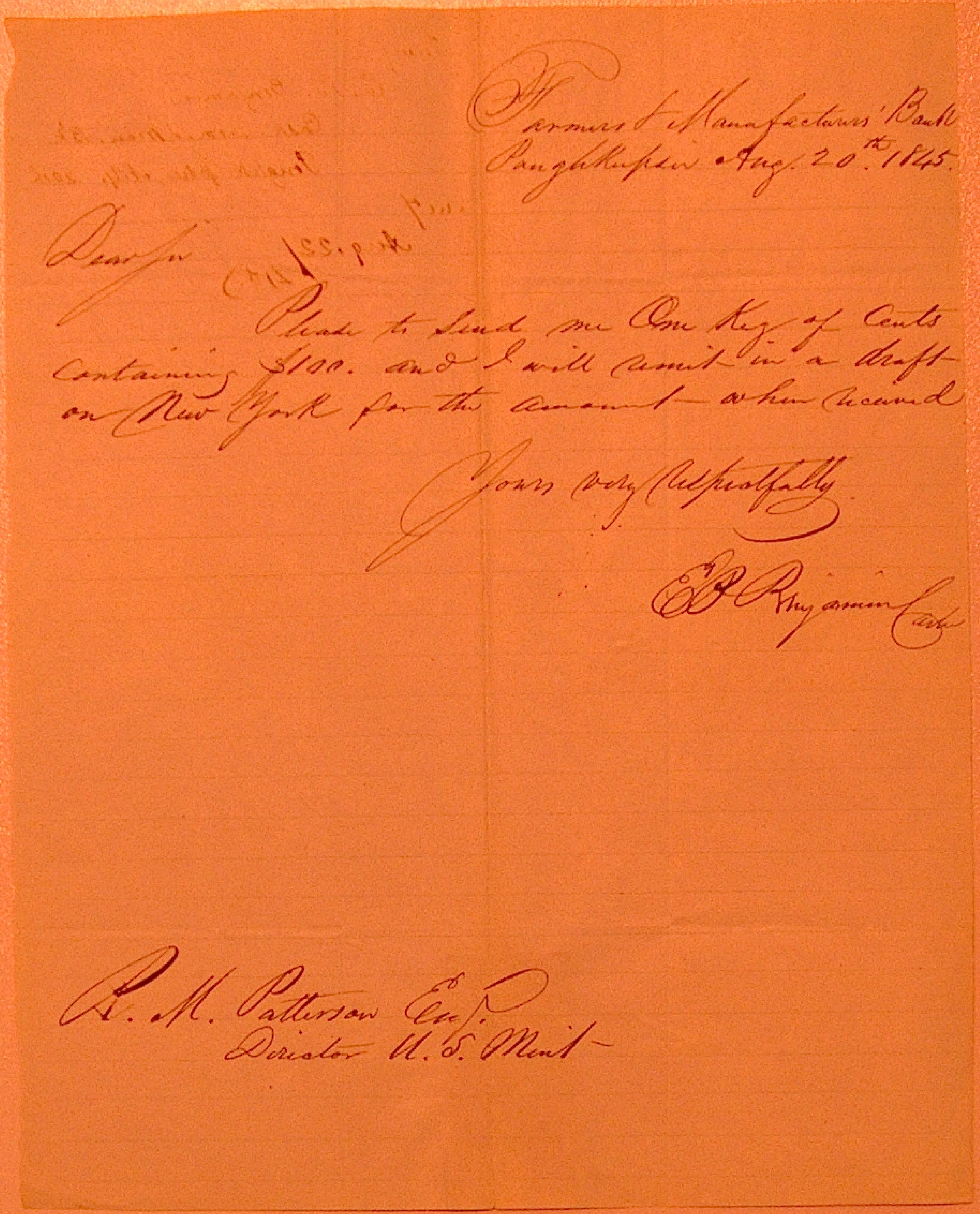
Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
August 20th 1845.

Sir,

Your accounts of Copper Coinage, for the 1st quarter of 1845, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $4344.59 stated to be due from you to the United States.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. St.
J W McCulloch
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia



Farmers & Manufacturers' Bank
Poughkeepsie Aug. 20th. 1845.

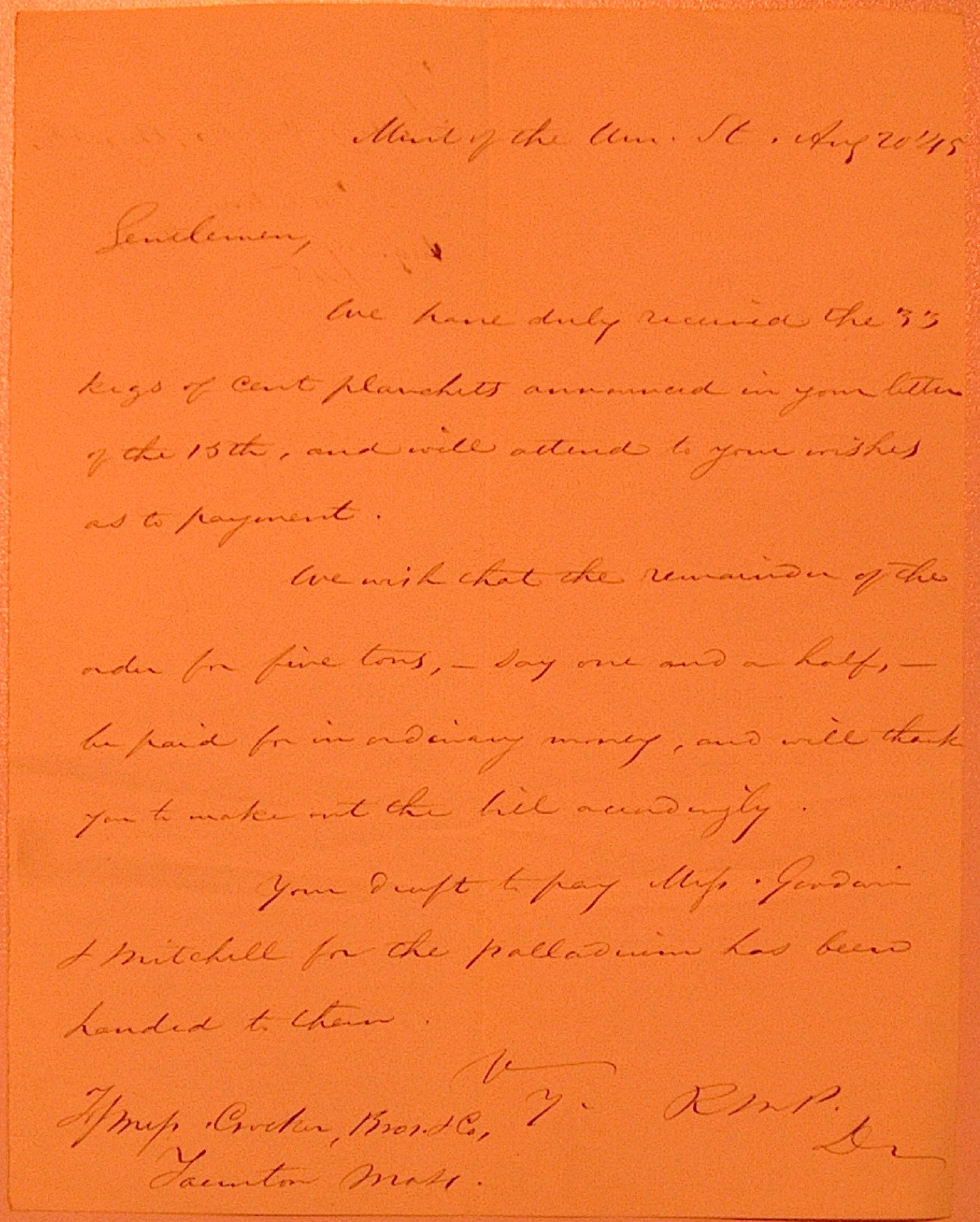
Dear Sir

Please to send me One Keg of Cents containing $100. and I will remit in a draft on New York for the amount when received

Yours very respectfully

E. B. Benjamin Cash.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U. S. Mint



Mint of the Un. St., Aug 20 '45

Gentlemen,

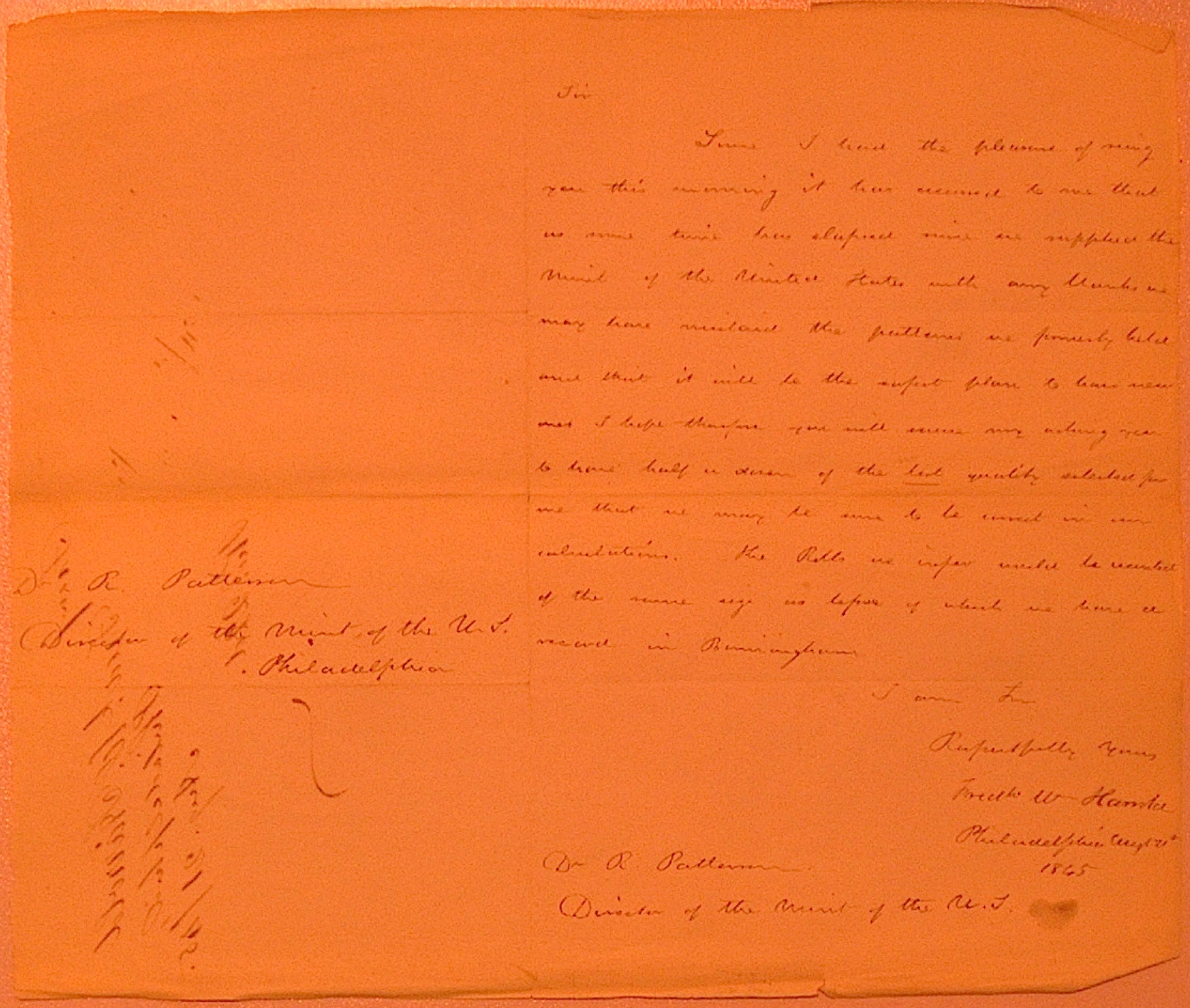
We have duly received the 33 kegs of cent planchets announced in your letter of the 15th, and will attend to your wishes as to payment.

We wish that the remainder of the order for five tons, — say one and a half, — be paid for in ordinary money, and will thank you to make out the bill accordingly.

Your draft to pay Messrs. Gordon & Mitchell for the palladium has been handed to them.

V. Ty. R. M. P. Dr

To Messrs. Crocker, Bros & Co.,
Taunton Mass.



Sir

Since I had the pleasure of seeing you this morning it has occurred to me that as some time has elapsed since we supplied the Mint of the United States with any blanks we may have mislaid the patterns we formerly held and that it will be the safest plan to have new ones I hope therefore you will excuse my asking you to have half a dozen of the best quality selected for me that we may be sure to be correct in our calculations. The Rolls we infer would be wanted of the same size as before of which we have a record in Birmingham.

I am Sir

Respectfully Yours

Fredk Wm Hamter

Philadelphia Aug 21st
1845

Dr R. Patterson
Director of the Mint of the U.S.

Dr R. Patterson
Director of the Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

Mint U. S. Aug. 21st, 1845.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th, enclosing an application for copper coins for the Post Master at New Orleans. I regret that the Post Master General, and yourself, should have been troubled with this simple transaction, as it is one in the ordinary course of business of the Mint. The cents applied for are already shipped to the Post Master at New Orleans.

It was thought by the late Treasurer of the New Orleans Mint, that it would be a convenience to the people of that city if a supply of copper coins were kept in the Mint there for distribution; and accordingly, with the consent of the Department, I caused $1500. worth of cents to be forwarded for that object. The measure, plausible as it seemed, proved a failure. The coins were sent at the close of 1842, and up to June 1844 but $880. worth were exchanged for other money; when, in order to prevent further delay in the settlement of our copper account, it became necessary that the balance on hand, of $620., which could not be sold, should be returned to this Mint; and it was so returned.

Very —

Your —

R. M. P.

D—

To/

Hon. R. J. Walker,

Sec. of Treasury.

Mint U.S., Aug. 21/45.

Dear Sir,

The deposite, mentioned in your letter of the 9th ulto., was made yesterday, and I now comply with your request, by sending the enclosed Memorandum & Receipt

R.M.P.
D.

To/
W. A. Lucas, Esq.
Bank State N.C.,
Charlotte.

Taunton Augt 21. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esqr
Director.

Dear Sir.

We write this to request you to ship to Messrs Henry N. Hooper & Co, Boston, the amount of our bill of planchets forwarded by Sch. King, instead of Messrs A. H. Miller as requested in our letter of the 15th inst—

We omitted to state, ~~that~~ said planchets were made from American (U.S.) Copper—

Very Respectfully
Crocker Bro. & Co

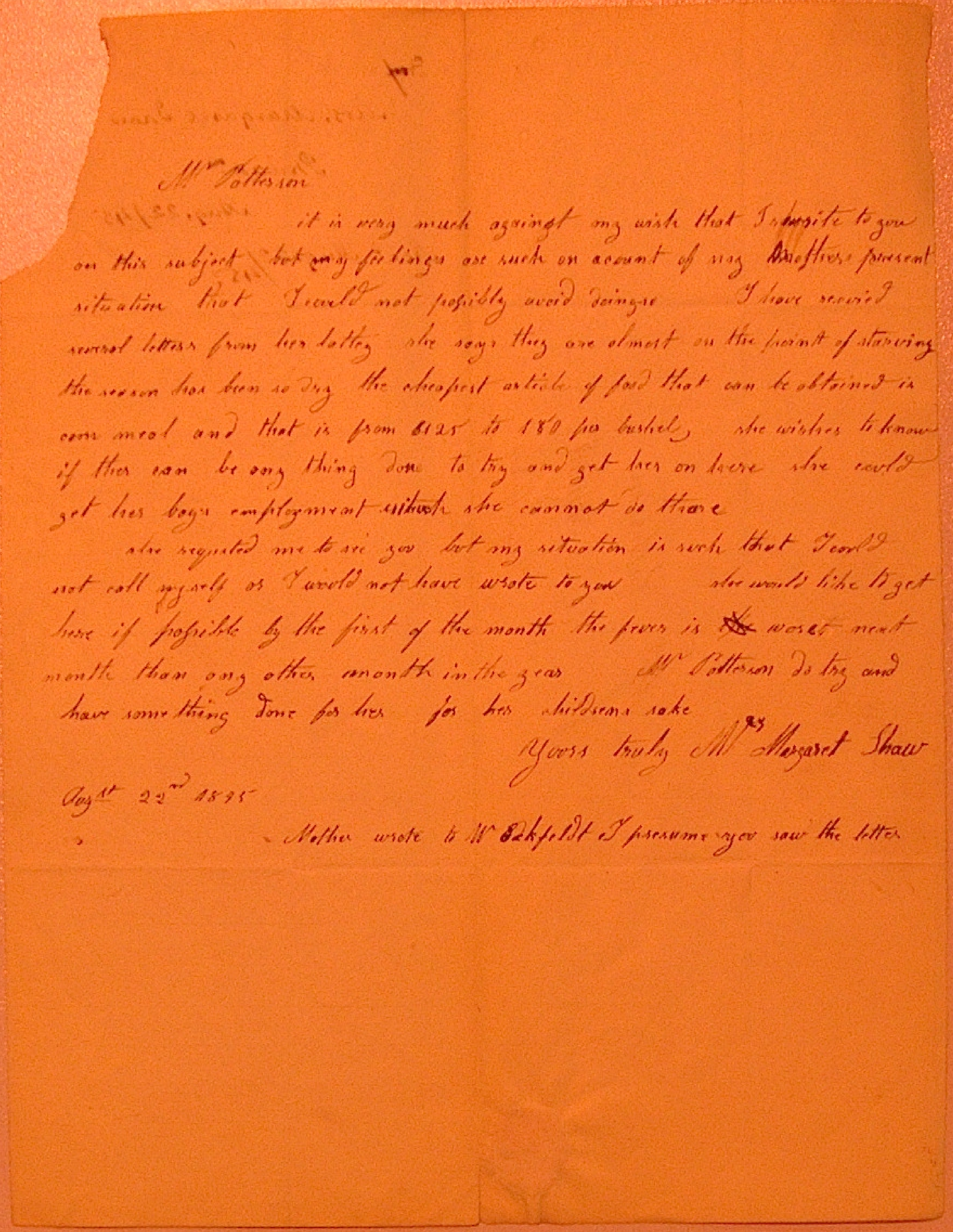
Mint U.S. Aug. 22, '45

Sir,

The deposit of Silver referred to in your letter of the 19th has been duly received, and the amount in half dimes and dollars as you wish is ready for delivery.

Very
resp
R.M.P.
Dir

To
J. M. Dodd, Esq
Boston



Mr Patterson

it is very much against my wish that I write to you on this subject but my feelings are such on acount of my Brothers present situation that I could not possibly avoid doing so I have received several letters from her lately she says they are almost on the point of starving the season has been so dry the cheapest article of food that can be obtained is corn meal and that is from $125 to 180 per bushel she wishes to know if ther can be any thing done to try and get her on here she could get her boys employment which she cannot do there

she requested me to see you but my situation is such that I could not call myself or I would not have wrote to you she would like to get here if possible by the first of the month the fever is ~~the~~ worse next month than any other month in the year Mr Patterson do try and have something done for her for her childrens sake

Yours truly Mrs Margaret Shaw

Augst 22nd 1845

Mother wrote to Mr Eckfeldt I presume you saw the letter

Boston August 22d 1845

Mr R. M. Patterson

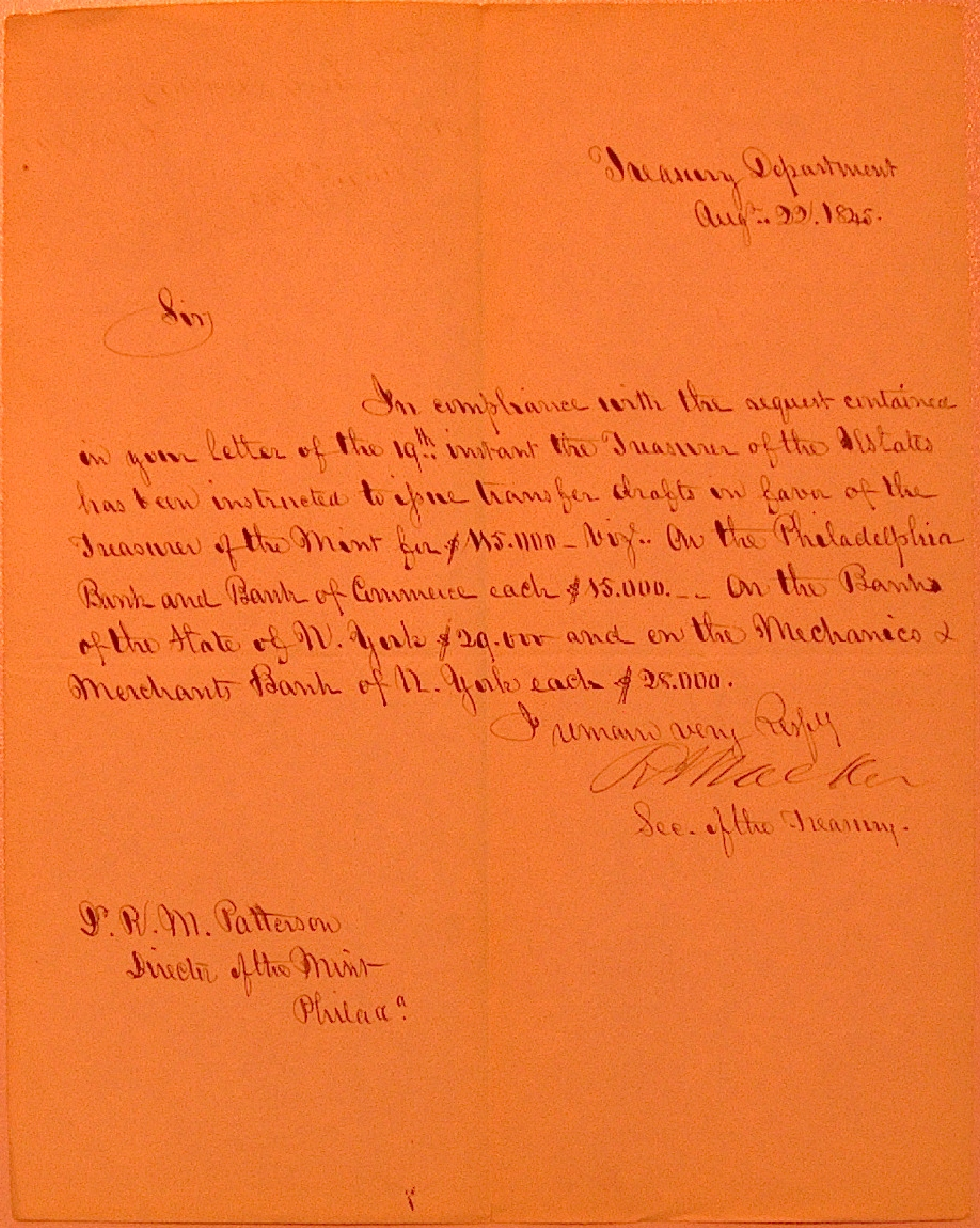
Director of the U.S. Mint Phila

Dear Sir

I enclose one hundred Dollars wishing you to send me some copper Coins to the same amount as follows
in whole cents Eighty Dollars
in half Cents twenty Dollars

Yours Respectfully

S. M. Dodd
No 72 State Street



Treasury Department
Aug.. 22. 1845.

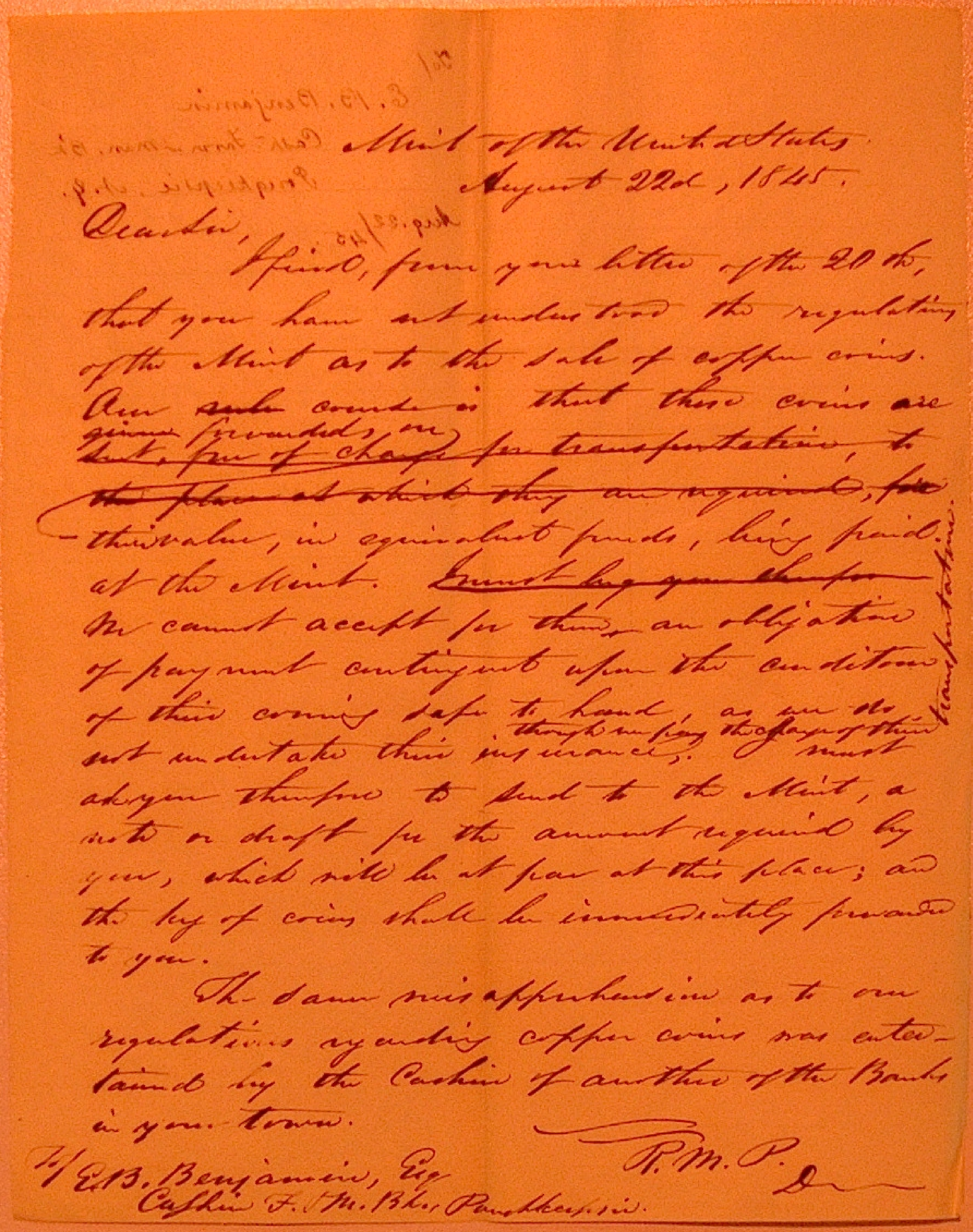
Sir

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 19th instant the Treasurer of the U States has been instructed to issue transfer drafts in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint for $115.000 – Viz.. On the Philadelphia Bank and Bank of Commerce each $15.000. – On the Banks of the State of N. York $29.000 and on the Mechanics & Merchants Bank of N. York each $28.000.

I remain very Respy

R. J. Walker
Sec. of the Treasury.

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philada.



No.

E. B. Benjamin
Cash. Farm. & Man. Bk.
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Aug. 22/45

Mint of the United States
August 22d, 1845.

Dear Sir,

I find, from your letter of the 20th, that you have not understood the regulations of the Mint as to the sale of copper coins. Our ~~sale~~ course is that these coins are ~~given~~ forwarded, on ~~sent, free of charge for transportation, to the place at which they are required, for~~ their value, in equivalent funds, being paid at the Mint. ~~I must beg you therefore~~ We cannot accept for them an obligation of payment contingent upon the condition of their coming safe to hand, as we do not undertake their insurance, though we pay the charges of their transportation. I must ask you therefore to send to the Mint, a note or draft for the amount required by you, which will be at par at this place; and the keg of coins shall be immediately forwarded to you.

The same misapprehension as to our regulations regarding copper coins was entertained by the Cashier of another of the Banks in your town.

R. M. P. Dr

To E. B. Benjamin, Esq.
Cashier F. & M. Bk., Poughkeepsie.

Treasury of the United States
August 22d 1845

Sir

Enclosed you will receive five transfer Drafts Viz.

Pd No. 193. on the Mechanics Bank at Newyork for $28,000.
Pd 194. on the Merchants Bank at Do for 28.000.
Pd 195 on the Philadelphia Bank at Philada for 15.000.
Pd 196 on the Bank of Commerce at Do for 15.000.
Pd 197 on the Bank of the State of N. York, at New York, 29.000

all payable on demand, Which sums be pleased to place to the credit of my Account on the Books of your Institution.

I am respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
W Selden
Treasurer U S

The Treasurer of the Mint U.S.
at Philadelphia

Mint of the United States:
August 23d, 1845

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22d, stating that you had acceded to my request for an addition to our Government deposite of gold, and had caused transfer warrants to be issued on Banks in Philadelphia and New York, to the amount of $115,000.

I have to express my regret that there is no notice given, on the drafts or otherwise, as to the metal in which the payments are to be made; and as the drafts are payable on demand; it is not ~~likely probable~~ likely that time would now be ~~given~~ allowed for instructions from the Department. I therefore feel myself under the necessity of conveying our wishes, as to the mode of payment, to the

Banks here and in Newyork to which the drafts have been sent. ~~[illegible]~~ I shall let them know that, for the purpose in view, it is essential that the payment be made in gold, and that it is most desirable that it should be either in bullion or foreign coin.

R. M. S.

To/
Hon. R. J. Walker
Sec. of Treasury

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Aug. 23, 1845.

Sir,

The Treasurer of the Mint has received, from the Treasurer of the United States, a transfer draft on your Bank, payable here, for $ ; and I find that he has omitted to mention the metal in which it is desired that payment should be made. I must therefore take the liberty of stating that this, and other corresponding drafts, were made in compliance with an application which I made, on the 19th inst., to the Secretary of the Treasury, for an increase of our government deposits *of gold*. It is essential therefore, for the purpose in view, that payment be made in gold, and it is most desirable that it be made in bullion or foreign coins. If this should be impracticable, payment in *new* American gold coins might be made available for the ~~object~~ purposes of the Mint, but we would prefer gold which ~~would~~ we could coin. ~~so as to~~

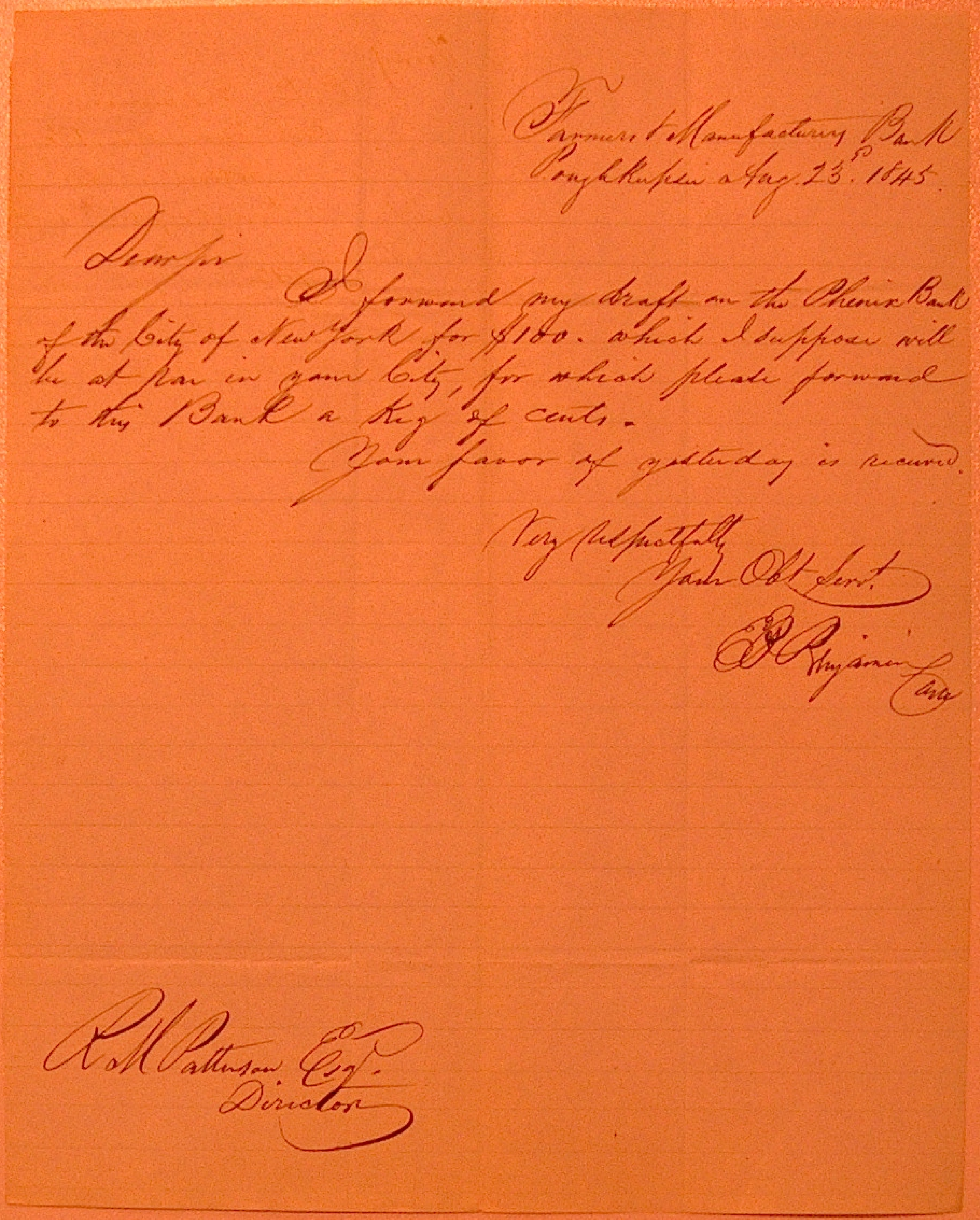
R. M. P.

To/

The Cashiers of the

$22,000. Merchants Bank,
$22,000. Mechanics Bank
&
$25,000. Bank of State of N.Y.

New York.



Farmers & Manufacturing Bank
Poughkeepsie Aug. 23rd 1845.

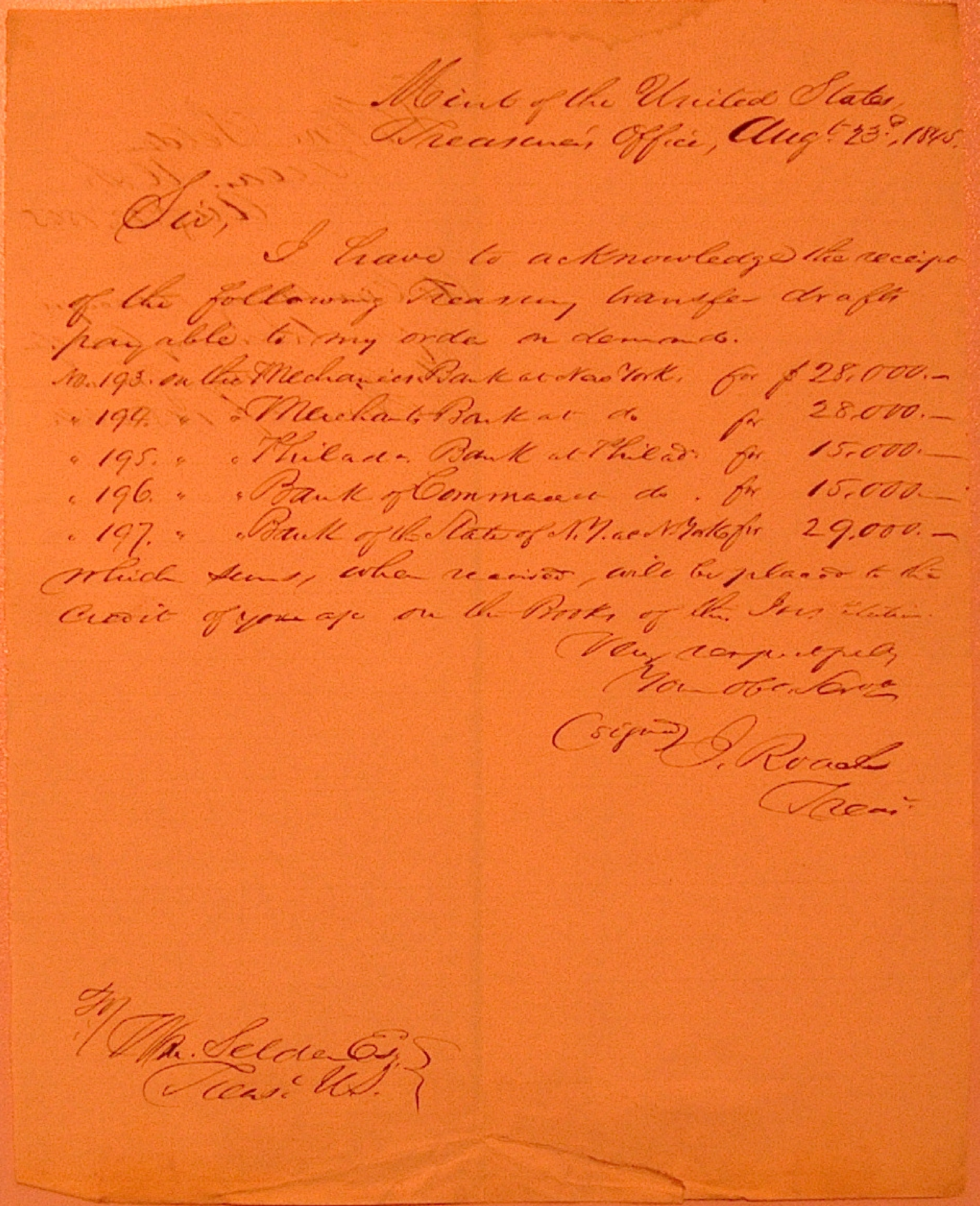
Dear Sir

I forward my draft on the Phenix Bank of the City of New York for $100. which I suppose will be at par in your City, for which please forward to this Bank a keg of cents.

Your favor of yesterday is received.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt.
E. P. Ruysam
Cashr

R. M. Patterson Esqr.
Director



Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, Aug.t 23.d 1845.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the following Treasury transfer drafts payable to my order on demand.

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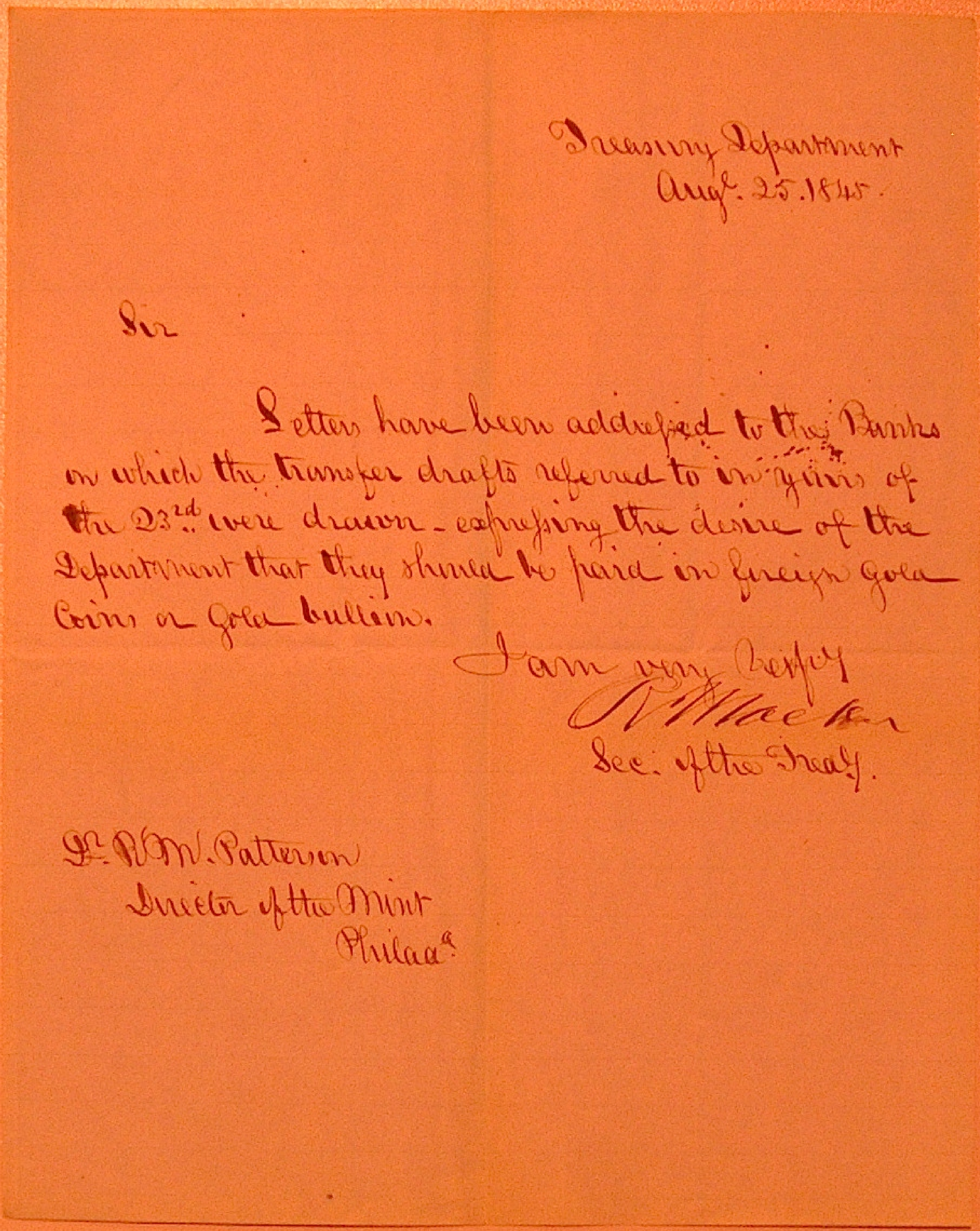
|---|---|---|
| No. 193. | on the Mechanics Bank at New York, | for $ 28.000.— |
| " 194. | " " Merchants Bank at do. | for 28.000.— |
| " 195. | " " Philada. Bank at Philada. | for 15.000.— |
| " 196. | " " Bank of Commerce do. | for 15.000.— |
| " 197. | " " Bank of the State of N.Y. at N. York | for 29.000.— |

which sums, when received, will be placed to the credit of your acc. on the Books of the Treas. U. States.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.

(Signed) J. Roach
Treas.

To Wm. Selden Esq.
Treas. U.S.



Treasury Department
Augt. 25. 1845.

Sir

Letters have been addreſsed to the Banks on which the transfer drafts referred to in yours of the 23rd were drawn – expreſsing the desire of the Department that they should be paid in foreign Gold Coins or Gold bullion.

I am very Respy
R J Walker
Sec. of the Treay.

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philada.

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, Aug. 25, 1845.

Sir,

I beg leave now to lay before you an application which I have long contemplated. It is that you will give instructions to have deposited at the Mint a set of the weights and measures made at Washington under the direction of your Department. I think that there are many reasons which may commend this measure to your favorable consideration.

The Mint has already in its keeping the only legalized standard unit of all the United States weights.

It is a safe place of deposite, being carefully guarded, and having fire proof apartments in which the standards can be kept.

It has balances, made by Mr. Saxton and Mr. Peale, which are not inferior to those employed in the establishment at Washington.

If you can comply with my request, it will be in our power, and we shall certainly have the disposition, to make these standards useful to the public. They are, at this time, much wanted for the adjustment of standard weights and measures, ~~for the ar manufactured here to be~~ made as to be made in this city, for the counties in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The sets deposited at Harrisburg and ~~Trent~~ Trenton are at too great a distance from the manufacturers.

R. M. Patterson,
Director

It is proper to mention that we have ~~obtained~~ now at the Mint a series of Troy weights made for us, under the superintendence of Mr. Hassler, on my application to the Treasury Department.

R.M.P.

To/ Hon. R. J. Walker,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Merchants Bank
Newyork Aug 25. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the U.S. Mint

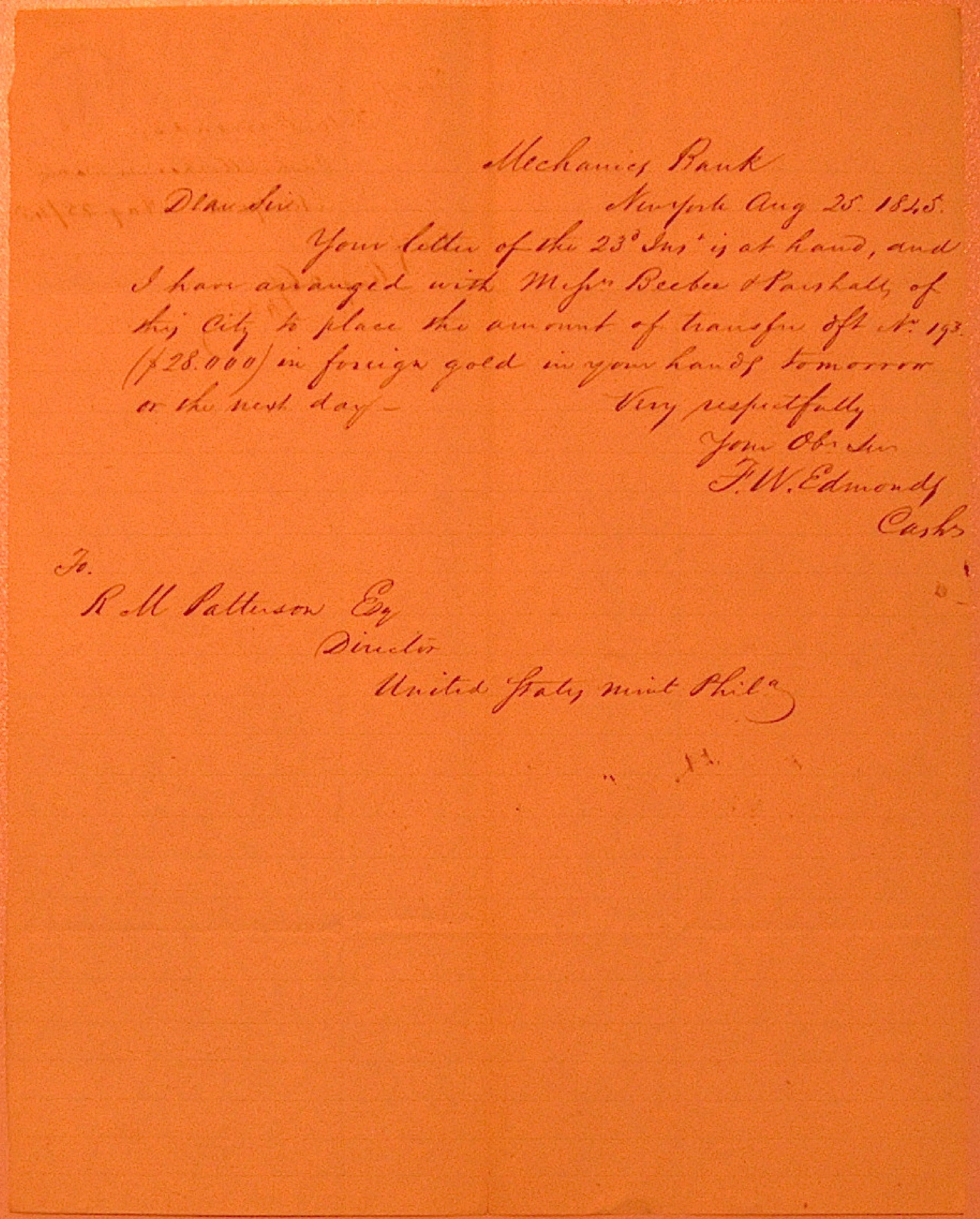
Sir

Your favor of the 23d Instant is received. I have written to our correspondent in Phila, J. R. Tevis Co. to deposit with you the amount the transfer draft on us in foreign gold.

When this is done please deliver the draft to him

Respy yrs

Camman Co



Mechanics Bank

New York Aug 25. 1845.

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 23d Inst is at hand, and I have arranged with Messrs Beebee & Parshall of this City to place the amount of transfer dft No 193 ($28.000) in foreign gold in your hands tomorrow or the next day –

Very respectfully

Your Obt Servt

F.W. Edmonds

Cashr

To.

R.M Patterson Esq

Director

United States Mint Phila

Mint of the United States
August 26th, 1846

~~Sir,~~
~~In acknowledging the receipt of your letter~~
Dear Sir,

In the transfer drafts, in favor of the Mint, lately drawn by the Treasury Department, the ~~material~~ metal in which payment was desired was not ~~[illegible]~~ stated, and I had reason to know that this omission must ~~be~~ accidental. I therefore let it be known, to the several banks in question, that the object of the drafts would not be attained, unless the payments were made in gold; and I ~~therefore~~ accordingly requested that they should be made in foreign gold coin or bullion; or, if this was impracticable, that ~~I would not~~ our own & new gold coins ~~would be received~~; ~~but~~ might be made available for the purposes of the Mint, but we would prefer gold which we could coin."

~~I have a~~

We have received the amount of the draft ~~of~~ on the State of New York in sovereigns, and I have letters from the Mechanics and the Merchants Banks of New York, — the ~~first~~ former stating that they had called on you to deposit the amount of the transfer draft on them in foreign gold, and the ~~second~~ latter that they had arranged with Mess. Beebe & Parshall, to place the amount of transfer dft. No. 193, ($28,000) in foreign gold in our hands.

I have received, this morning, a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, in which he says that "letters have been addressed to the banks on which the transfer drafts ~~upon which~~ were drawn, expressing the desire of the Department that they should be paid in foreign gold coins or gold bullion."

I have ~~not asked~~ received payment of the Philadelphia drafts in our own new coins, because they have wished to act upon the offer to this effect made by me, before instructions were received from the Department; but I cannot feel myself justified in accepting U.S. coin ~~from~~ for the ~~Banks~~ Mechanics and Merchants Banks of New York, ~~because~~ inasmuch as my doing so now would be inconsistent with their own instructions, and with the ~~expr~~ desire of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful Servt,
R. M. P

To/ J. B. Thorn, Esq

Mint U.S.

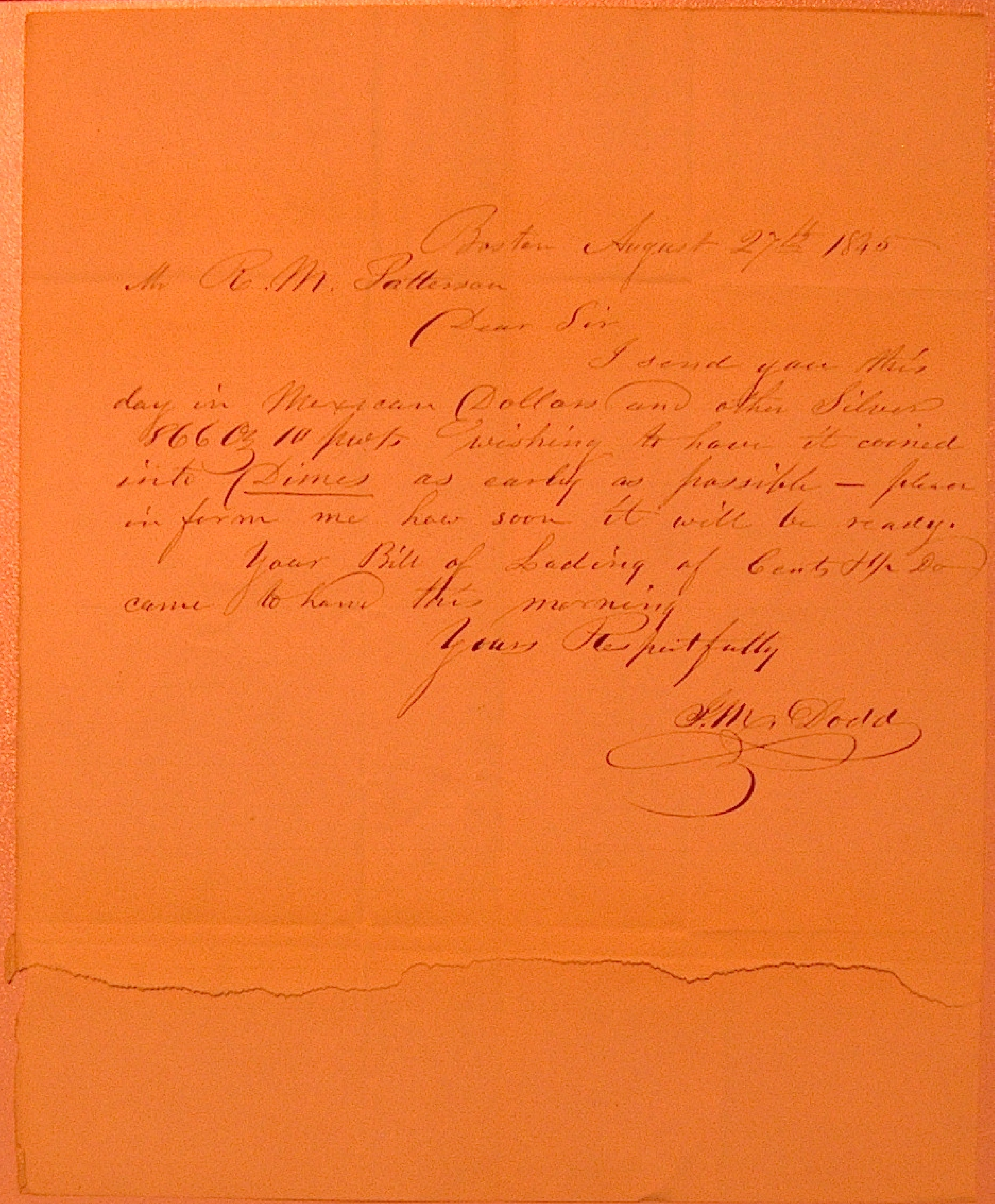
Aug. 26, 1845

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of yesterday, I have the ~~satisfaction~~ pleasure to state that ~~which~~ the explanation which I had communicated to the Banks, on which the transfer drafts were drawn, ~~were promptly responded to,~~ ~~that the explanation which I had given conc-~~ as to the metal in which it was ~~desired~~ intended that they should be paid, proved quite satisfactory, ~~to them, and that the pay-~~ ~~ment~~ as I learn from their letters, and that the payments are either now made, or will be promptly made, as desired.

R. M. P.
Dir

To/
Hon. R. J. Walker,
Sec. of Treasury.



Boston August 27th 1845

Mr R. M. Patterson

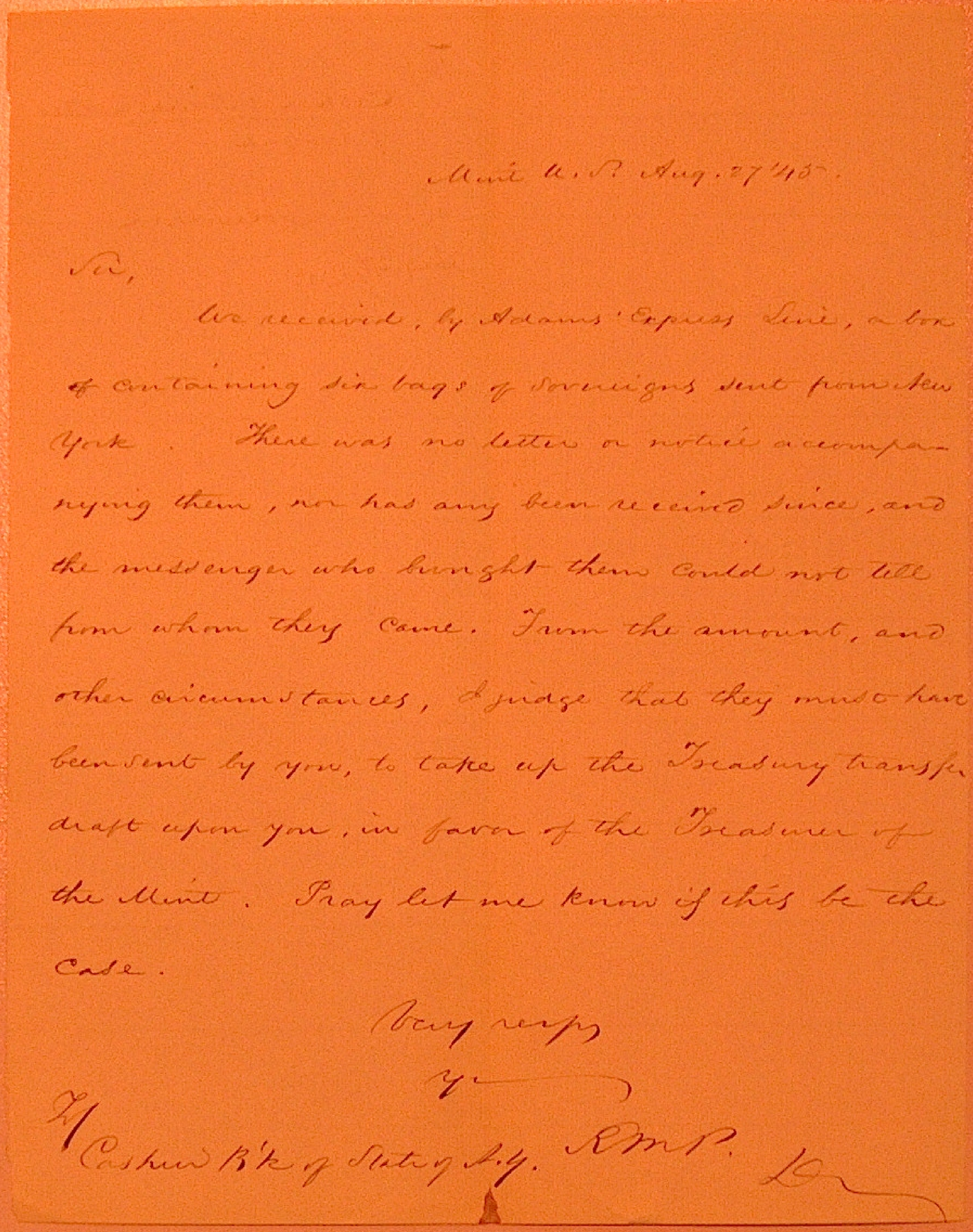
Dear Sir

I send you this day in Mexican Dollars and other Silver 8660 Oz 10 pwts wishing to have it coined into Dimes as early as possible — please inform me how soon it will be ready.

Your Bill of Lading of Cents & ½ Do came to hand this morning

Yours Respectfully

J. M. Dodd



Mint U. S. Aug. 27 '45.

Sir,

We received, by Adams' Express Line, a box of containing six bags of sovereigns sent from New York. There was no letter or notice accompanying them, nor has any been received since, and the messenger who brought them could not tell from whom they came. From the amount, and other circumstances, I judge that they must have been sent by you, to take up the Treasury transfer draft upon you, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint. Pray let me know if this be the case.

Very resp'y

Yr

To

Cashier B'k of State of N.Y.

R. M. P. Dr

Mechanics Bank
N. Y. Aug 27 1845

Dear Sir

I this morning recd a letter from the Secy of the Treasury, directing that the $28.000 transfer dft be paid to you in foreign gold coin or bullion, and in making the arrangmt yesterday with Messrs Beebee & Parshall it was agreed that they should hand it to you in foreign gold coin, but I learn from them this morning that their correspondent sent it to you in American gold. I trust the mistake has been corrected since, as we have abundance of Foreign gold coin in our vaults, and I employed Beebee & P. merely to avoid the risque & trouble of transportation.

Very respectfully
Yours Obs!
F. W. Edwards
Cashr

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director &c

Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office.
October 30th 1845.

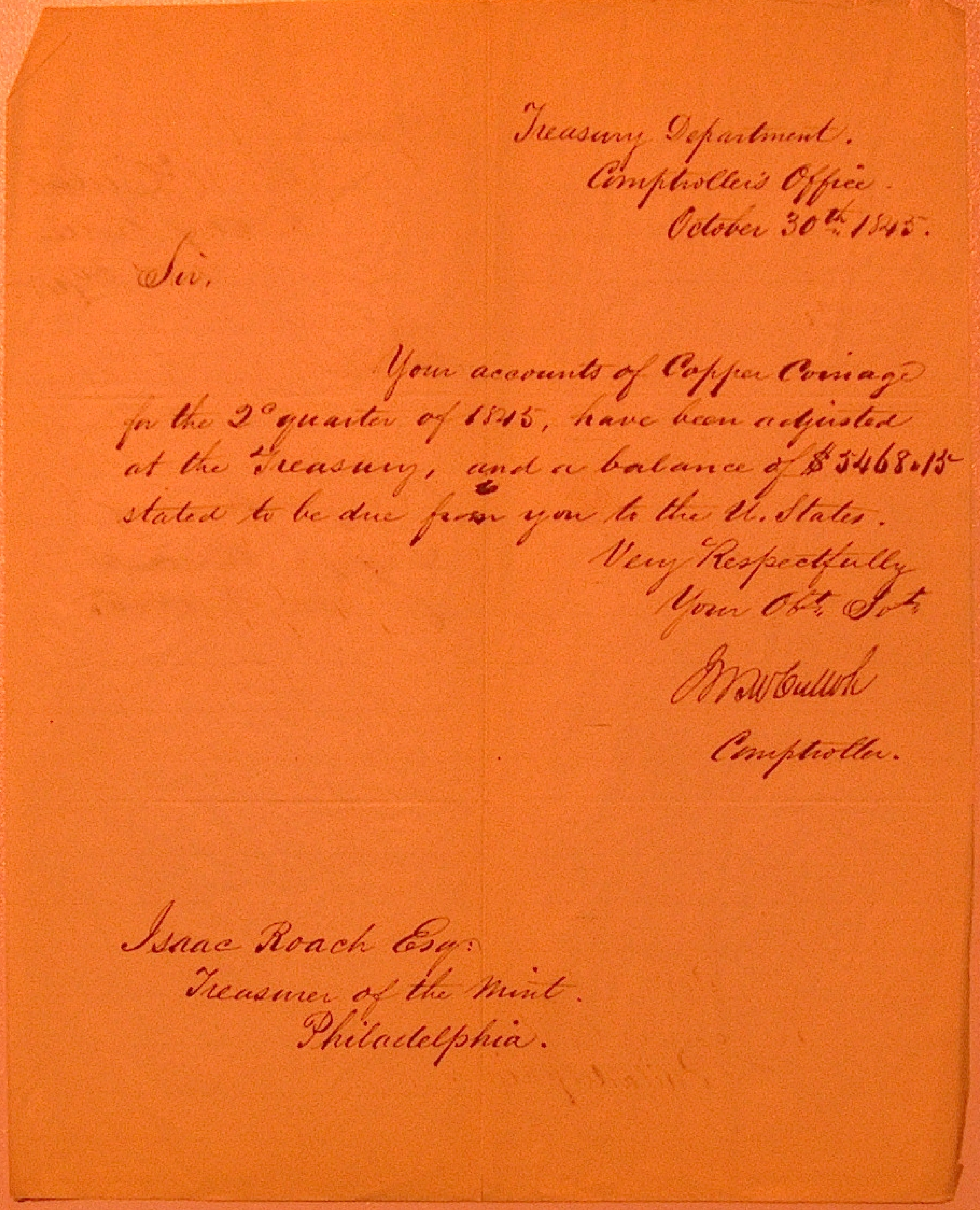
Sir,

Your accounts of Ordinary Expenses, for the 3d quarter of 1845, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $16.105.60 stated to be due from you to the U. States.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.

J. W. McCulloch
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.



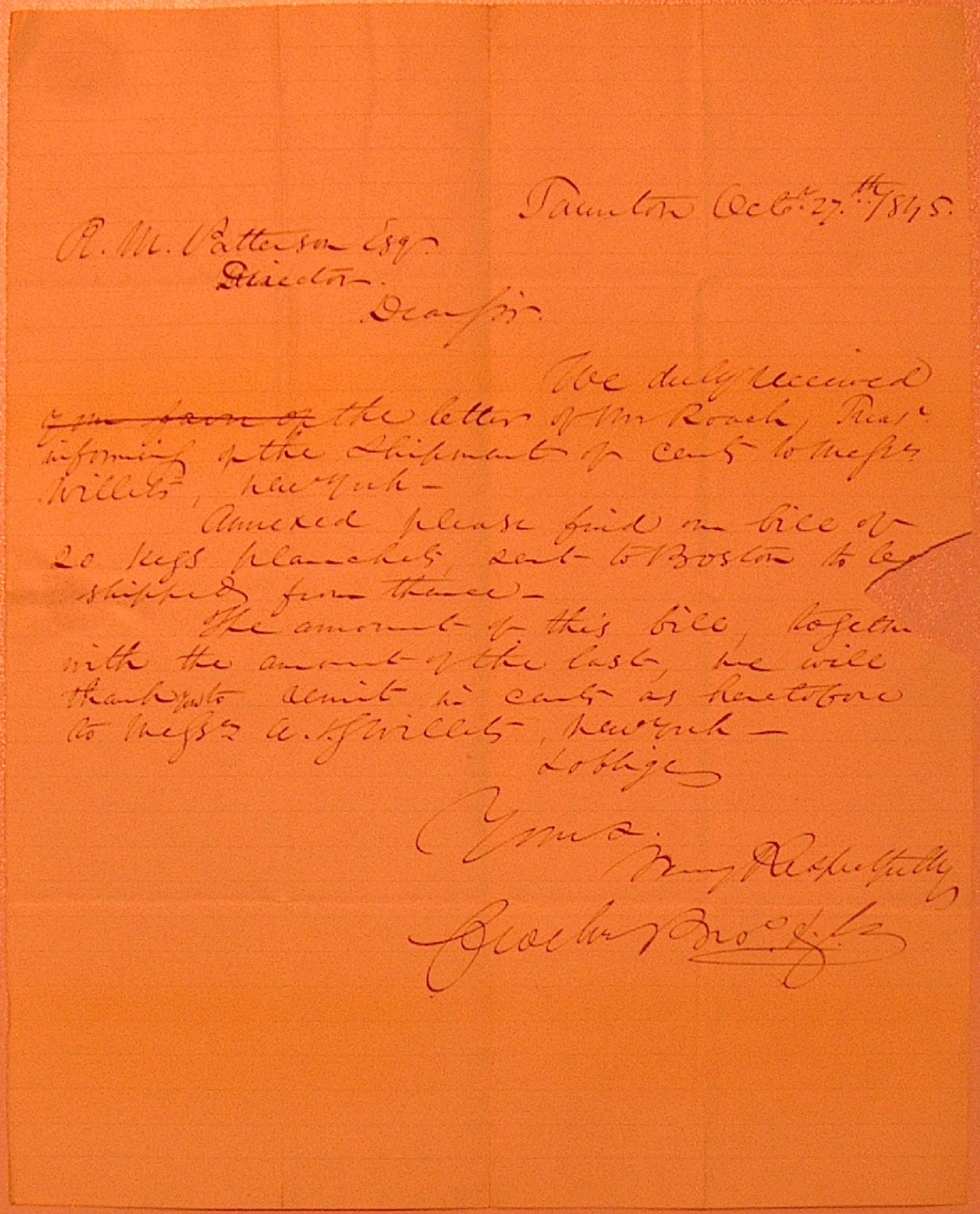
Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
October 30th 1845.

Sir,

Your accounts of Copper Coinage for the 2d quarter of 1845, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $5468.15 is stated to be due from you to the U. States.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.
J. W. McCulloch
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esqr.
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.



Taunton Oct. 27th 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director.

Dear Sir.

We duly received ~~your favor of~~ the letter of Mr Roach, Treas. informing of the shipment of cents to Messrs. Willets, New York —

Annexed please find our bill of 20 kegs planchets sent to Boston to be shipped from thence —

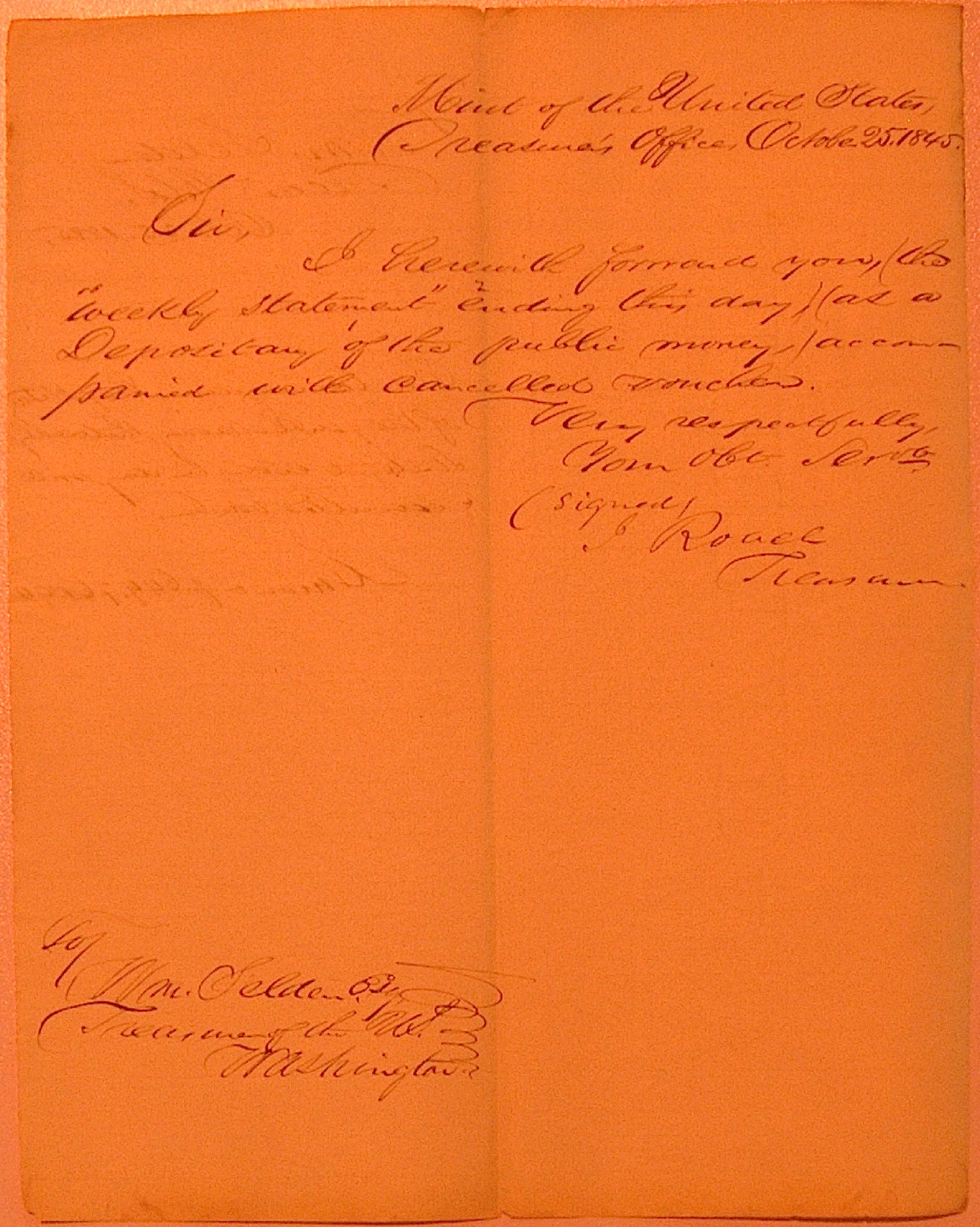
The amount of this bill, together with the amount of the last, we will thank you to remit in cents as heretofore to Messrs. A. & J. Willets, New York —

& oblige

Yours

Very Respectfully

Crocker Bro. & Co.



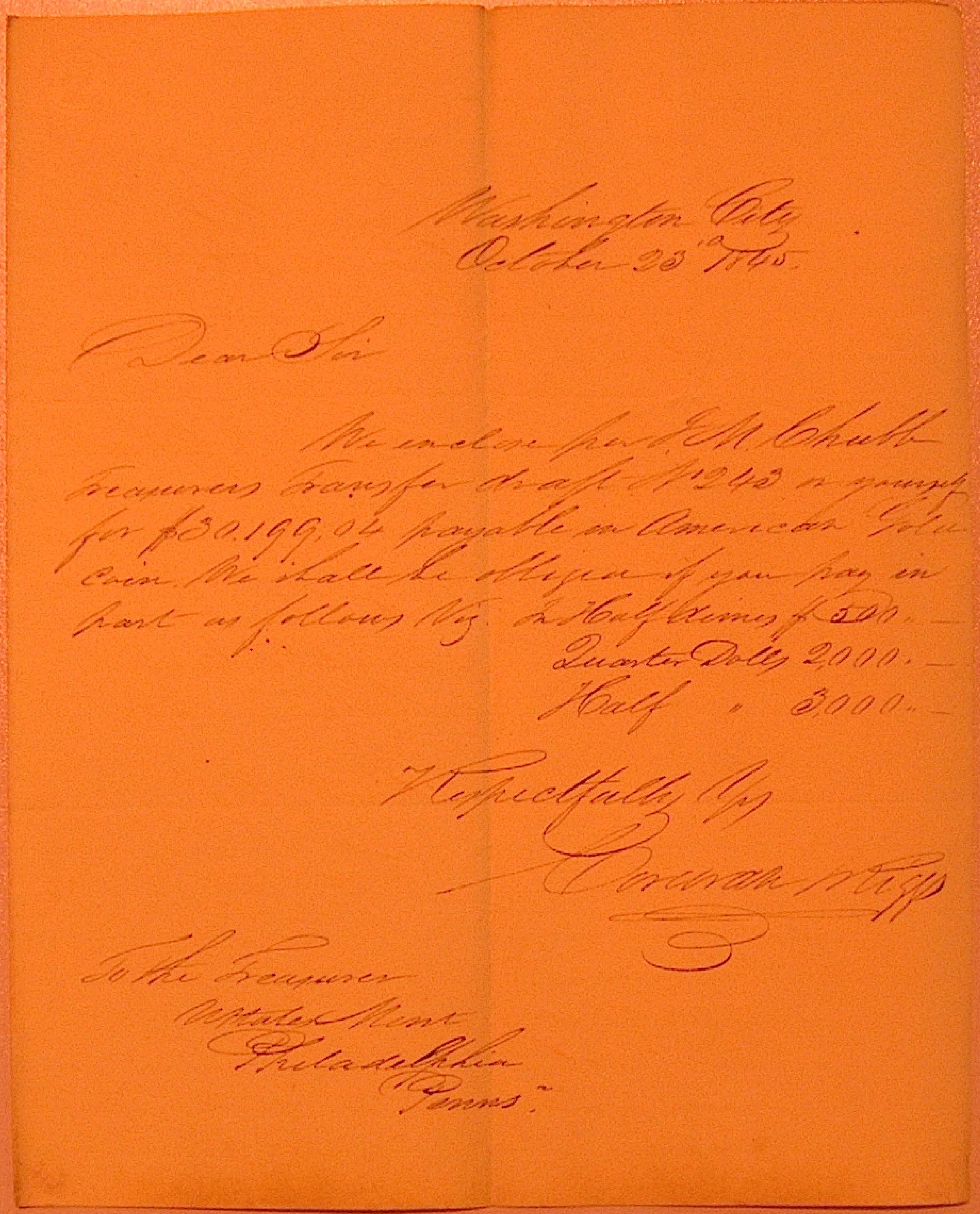
Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, October 25, 1845.

Sir,

I herewith forward you, (the "weekly statement" ending this day) (as a Depositary of the public money) accompanied with cancelled vouchers.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed)
J. Roach
Treasurer

To
Wm. Selden Esqr.
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington



Washington City
October 23rd 1845.

Dear Sir

We enclose per E. M. Chubb Treasurers Transfer draft No 243 on yourself for $30,199.04 payable in American Gold coin. We shall be obliged if you pay in part as follows Viz. in Half dimes $500.—
Quarter Dolls 2,000.—
Half " 3,000.—

Respectfully Yrs
Corcoran & Riggs

To the Treasurer
U. States Mint
Philadelphia
Penns.

Treasury of the United States
22d October 1845

Sir

I have this day issued one transfer Draft on you, Vizt. No. 243. in favor of Messrs. Corcoran & Riggs of Washington D.C. for $30,199.04. payable in American Gold Coins.

I am respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.
W Selden
Treasurer U.S.

The Treasurer of the Mint
at Philadelphia

[illegible]
2949

250
199.04
50.96

30199.04
2750
27449.04
2[illegible]
[illegible]44.04

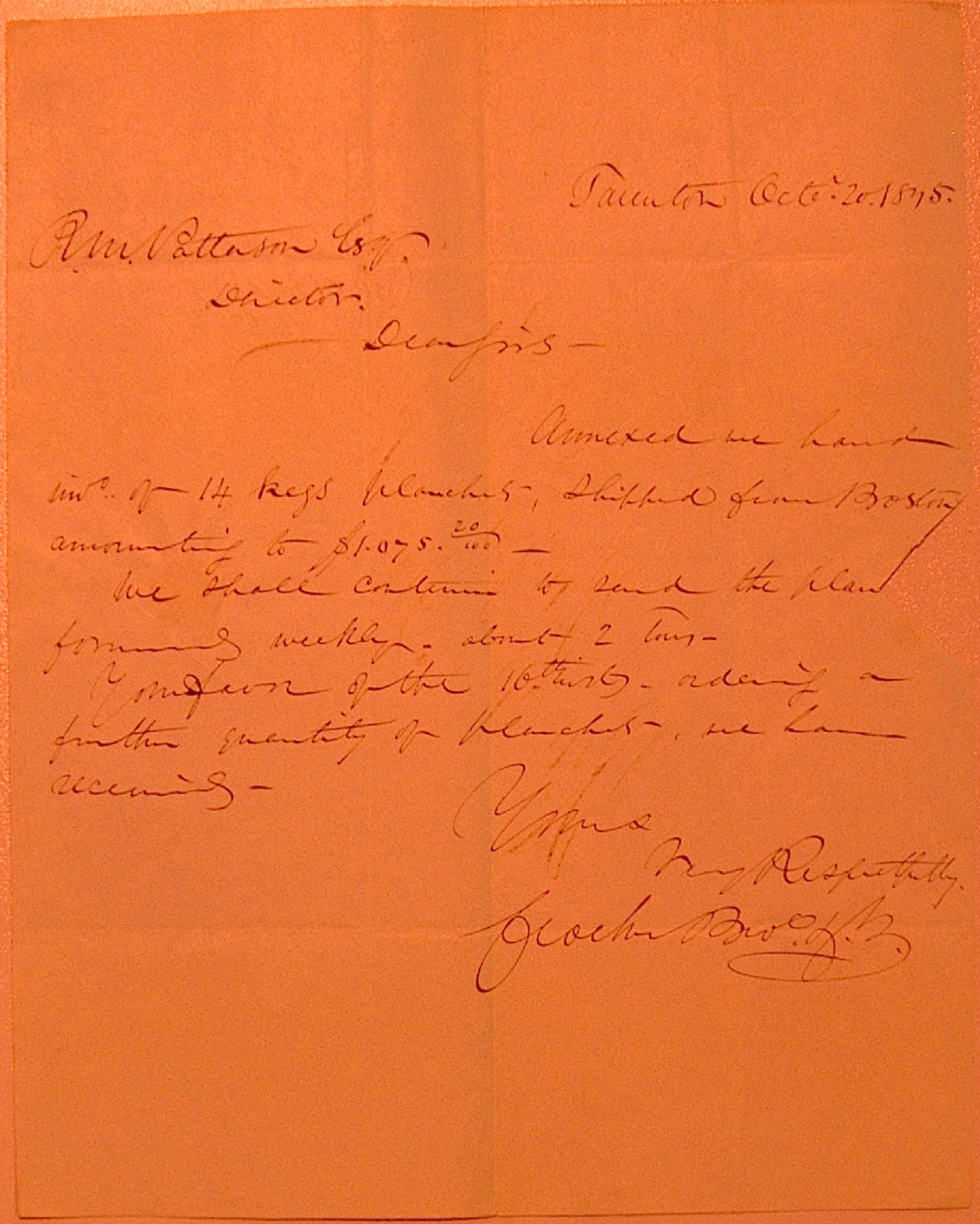
Bank of Commerce in New York
Oct. 21. 1845.

Sir.

Having been informed by the Treasurer of the United States that he has issued a transfer draft on us, in favor of the Mint, for $15000 payable there on 1 Nov. next, I beg to advise you that I have arranged with the Bank of Pennsylvania to pay the same according to its tenor.

I am, Sir, very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Geo. Curtis, Cy.

To the Director of the Mint
Philadelphia



Taunton Octr. 20. 1845.

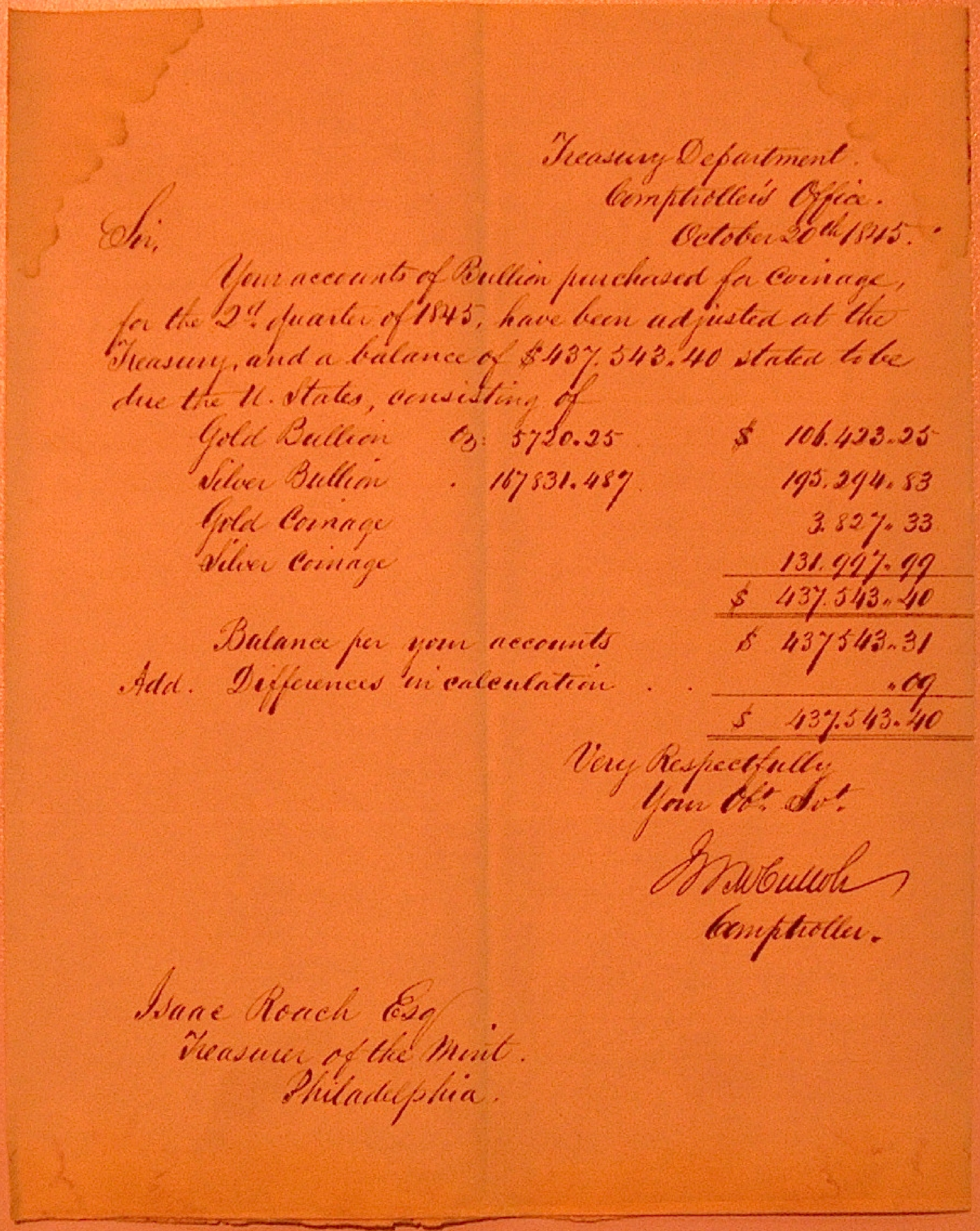
R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director.
Dear Sirs —

Annexed we hand inv. of 14 kegs planchets, shipped from Boston amounting to $1.075.$\frac{20}{100}$ —

We shall continue to send the planchets forward weekly — about 2 Tons —

Your favor of the 16th inst. ordering a further quantity of planchets, we have received —

Yours
Very Respectfully
Crocker Bro. & Co.



Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
October 20th 1845.

Sir,

Your accounts of Bullion purchased for coinage, for the 2d quarter of 1845, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $437.543.40 stated to be due the U. States, consisting of

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gold Bullion | Oz: 5720.25 | $ 106.423.25 |
| Silver Bullion | " 167831.487 | 195.294.83 |
| Gold Coinage | | 3.827.33 |
| Silver Coinage | | 131.997.99 |
| | | $ 437.543.40 |
| Balance per your accounts | | $ 437543.31 |
| Add. Differences in calculation . . | | .09 |
| | | $ 437.543.40 |

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.

J. W. McCulloh
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

Mint of the U.S.
Treasurer's Office, October 20. 1845.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the following Treasury transfer drafts payable in Philada. to my order in foreign Gold Coin or Gold Bullion on 1st. November next,

No. 238. on the Patriotic Bank at Washington D.C. for $10,000.
" 239. on Mess. Corcoran & Riggs at do. " 10,000.
" 240. on the Bank of the Metropolis at do. " 10,000.
" 241. on the Bank of Washington at do. " 10,000.

which sums, when received, will be placed to the credit of you upon the Books of the Institution.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) I. Read
Treasurer

To/ Wm. Selden Esq.
Treas. U.S.

Mint U. S. Oct. 20th, 1845.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for two thousand dollars ($2000.) out of the appropriation for paying the wages of workmen.

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R. M. P.

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To/

Hon. R. J. Walker,

Sec. of Treas.

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|---|---|---|
| Paid in Silver | No. 159. on the Bank of the State of N.Y. at N.Y. dated 1845 June 3. [illegible] | 9,000. |
| | 〃 160. on the Mechanics Bank at N. York 〃 〃 〃 | 14,000. |
| | 〃 161. on the Bank of Commerce at N.Y. 〃 〃 [illegible] | 10,000. |
| | 〃 162. on the Bank of America at N.Y. 〃 〃 [illegible] | 10,000. |
| | 〃 163. on the American Exchange Bk. at N.Y. 〃 〃 〃 | 7,000. |
| | 〃 164. on the Merchants Bank at N.Y. 〃 〃 〃 | 10,000. |
| | 〃 165. on the North River Bank at N.Y. 〃 〃 〃 | 18,000. |
| | 〃 166. on the Philadelphia Bank at Philada. 〃 | 17,000. |
| | 〃 167. on the Bank of Commerce at Philada. 〃 〃 | 5,000. |
| | | 100.000 |
| Paid in Silver | No. 170. on the Bank of Middletown at Middletown Pa. dated 1845 June 12. | 5,000. |
| | 〃 171. on the Bank of Washington at Washington D.C. 〃 〃 〃 | 10.000. |
| | 〃 172. on the Bank of the Metropolis at Do 〃 〃 〃 | 50,000. |
| | 〃 173. on the Patriotic Bank. at Do 〃 〃 〃 | 10,000. |
| | 〃 174. on the Merchants Bank at Boston 〃 〃 〃 | 50,000. |
| | | 125,000. |
| | No. 175. on the Merchants Bank at Boston dated 1845 June 20 | 100,000. |
| Paid in Gold | No. 193 on the Mechanics Bk at N. York dated 1845 Aug. 22 | 28,000. |
| | 〃 194 on the Merchants Bk at Do 〃 〃 〃 | 28,000. |
| | 〃 195. on the Philadelphia Bk at Philada. 〃 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | 〃 196 on the Bank of Commerce at Do 〃 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | 〃 197. on the Bank of the State of N.Y. at N.Y. 〃 〃 〃 | 29,000. |
| | | 115,000. |
| Paid in Gold | No. 228. on the Bank of America at N. York dated 1845 Oct. 15. | 15,000. |
| | 〃 229. on the Bank of Commerce at N. York 〃 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | 〃 230. on the Merchants Bank at N. York 〃 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | 〃 231. on the American Exchange Bk. at N.Y. 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | 〃 232. on the Bank of the State of N.Y. at N.Y. 〃 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | 〃 233. on the North River Bk. at N.Y. 〃 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | 〃 234 on the Mechanics Bk. at N.Y. 〃 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | 〃 235. on the Philada. Bk. at Philada. 〃 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | 〃 236. on the Bk. of Commerce at Do 〃 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | 〃 237. on the Chesapeake Bk at Balto. 〃 〃 〃 | 15,000. |
| | | 150,000. |
| Paid in Gold | No. 238. on the Patriotic Bk. at Washington dated 1845 Oct. 18. | 10,000. |
| | 〃 239. on Corcoran & Riggs at Do 〃 〃 〃 | 10,000. |
| | 〃 240. on the Bank of the Metropolis at Do 〃 〃 〃 | 10,000. |
| | 〃 241. on the Bank of Washington at Do 〃 〃 〃 | 10,000. |
| | | 40,000. |

Received as above in Silver $ 325.000.
in Gold 305.000.

Dolls 630.000.

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Treasury of the United States
18th October 1845

Sir

Enclosed you will receive four transfer Drafts in your favor, Viz:
No 238. on the Patriotic Bank at Washington, D.C. for $10,000
239. on Messrs Corcoran & Riggs at Do " 10,000
240. on the Bank of the Metropolis " Do " 10,000
241. on the Bank of Washington " Do " 10,000
all payable in foreign Gold Coin or Bullion, at Phila on 1st of Novemr next to be placed to my credit in you.

I am very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
W Selden
Treasurer U.S.

To the Treasurer of the Mint of the U.S.
at Philadelphia

Mint of the United States.
Oct. 18, 1845.

Sir,

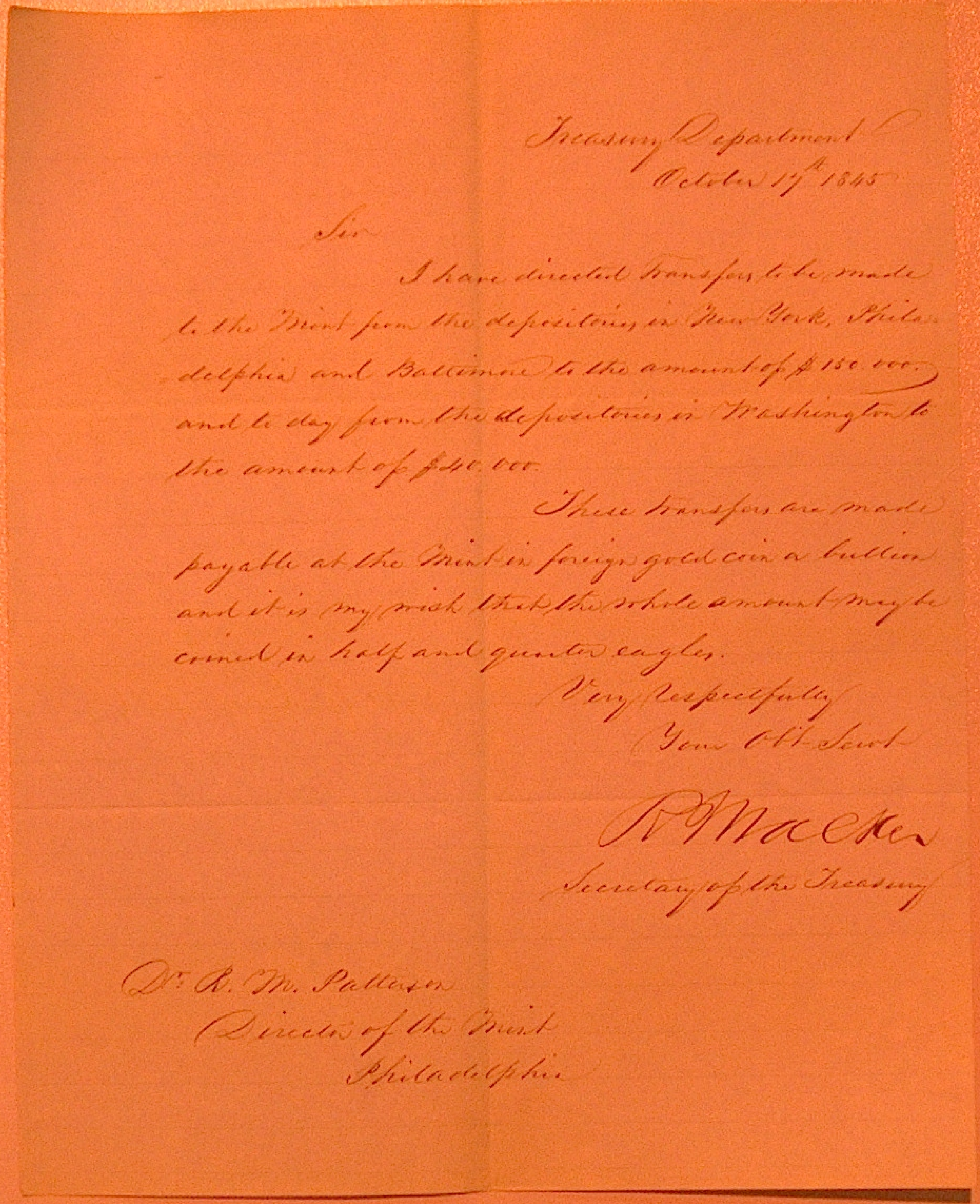
I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th inst.

I do not find in it any advantage offered either to the Mint or to the public which would justify an interference with the arrangements now existing ~~between~~ with the house of Crocker, Bros, & Co. Their terms are to deliver the planchets ~~at the~~ here, in good kegs holding $100 worth each, at 32 cts per pound avoirdupois, if paid for in copper coins, and for 28 cts if paid for in other money. Their agents, Messrs. A. & J. Millets, ~~sell~~ exchange them, at New York, for their nominal value in other ~~money~~ current money; and we do not permit them to be sold for less.

If you can offer more favorable terms, and we can have assurance of equally good ~~such~~ planchets, I will give to any proposition from you a full and impartial consideration. I request that, if you ~~fail~~ answer this letter, you will let me know whether you are yourself a manufacturer of copper; ~~and~~ if so, where your establishment is located; and if not so, whom you propose to employ, ~~and what [illegible]~~

R. M. P.

To/ Wm. Callender, Esq.
New York C.



Treasury Department
October 17th 1845

Sir

I have directed transfers to be made to the Mint from the depositories in New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore to the amount of $150.000 and to day from the depositories in Washington to the amount of $40.000.

These transfers are made payable at the Mint in foreign gold coin or bullion and it is my wish that the whole amount may be coined in half and quarter eagles.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt

R J Walker
Secretary of the Treasury

Dr R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, October 17th 1845.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the following Treasury transfer drafts payable in Philad.ª to my order in foreign Gold Coin or Gold Bullion on 1st of November next.

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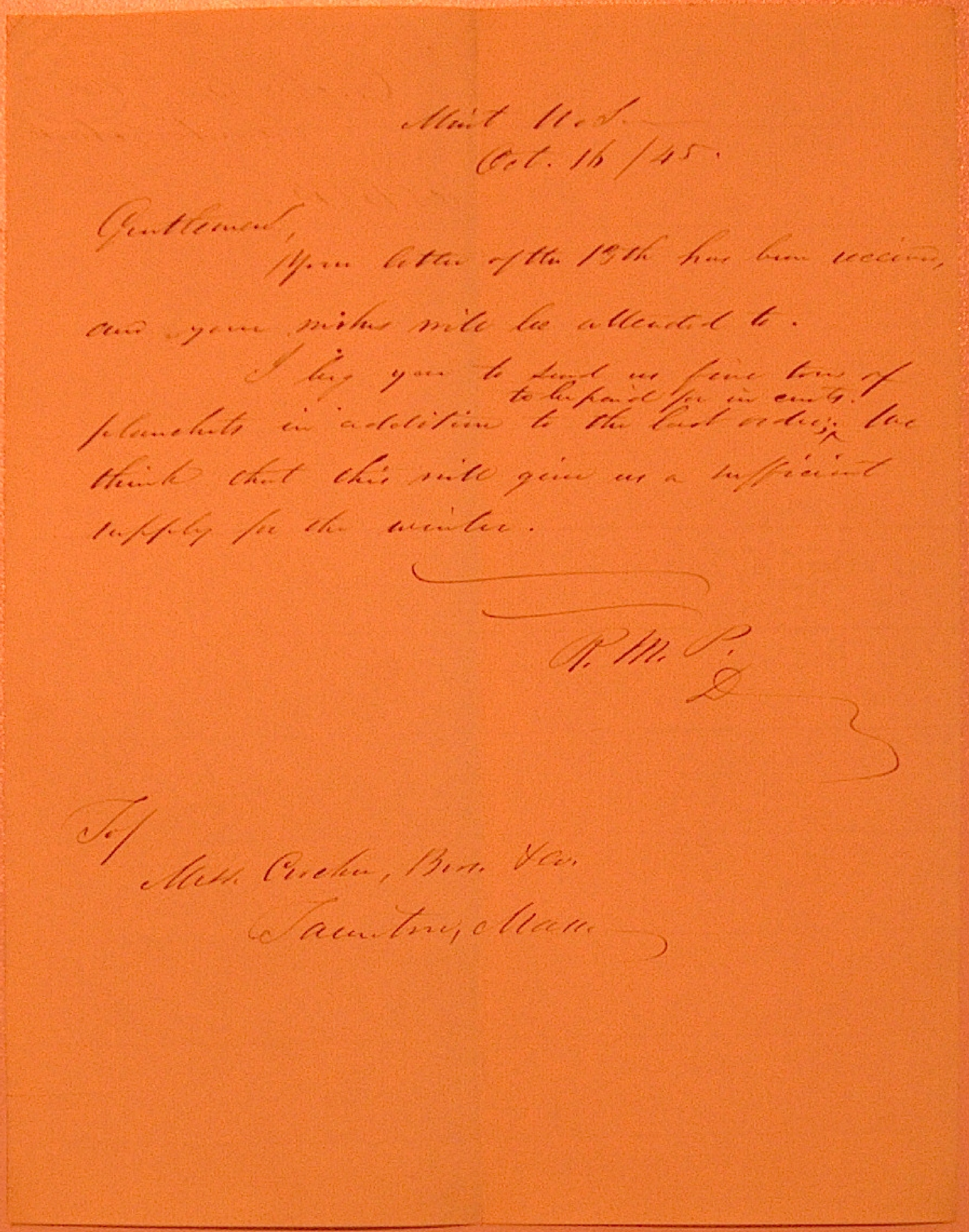
|---|---|---|---|
| No. 228. on the | Bank of America | at New York | for $ 15,000. |
| „ 229. „ | „ Bank of Commerce | „ Do | „ 15,000. |
| „ 230. „ | „ Merchants Bank | „ Do | „ 15,000. |
| „ 231. „ | „ Am. Exchange Bank | „ Do | „ 15,000. |
| „ 232. „ | „ Bank of the State of N.Y. | „ Do | „ 15,000. |
| „ 233. „ | „ North River ~~Mechanics~~ Bank | „ Do | „ 15,000. |
| „ 234. „ | „ Mechanics ~~[illegible]~~ Bank | „ Do | „ 15,000. |
| „ 235. „ | „ Philad.ª Bank | „ Philad.ª | „ 15,000. |
| „ 236. „ | „ Bank of Commerce | „ Do | „ 15,000. |
| „ 237. „ | „ Chesapeake Bk. | „ Balt. | „ 15,000. |

Which sums, when received, will be placed to the credit of your a/c. on the Books of this Institution

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) I. Roach
Treasurer

To/
Wm Selden Esq.
Treas. U.S.



Mint U.S.
Oct. 16/45.

Gentlemen,

Your letter of the 13th has been received, and your wishes will be attended to.

I beg you to send us five tons of planchets in addition to the last order, to be paid for in cents. We think that this will give us a sufficient supply for the winter.

R. M. P.
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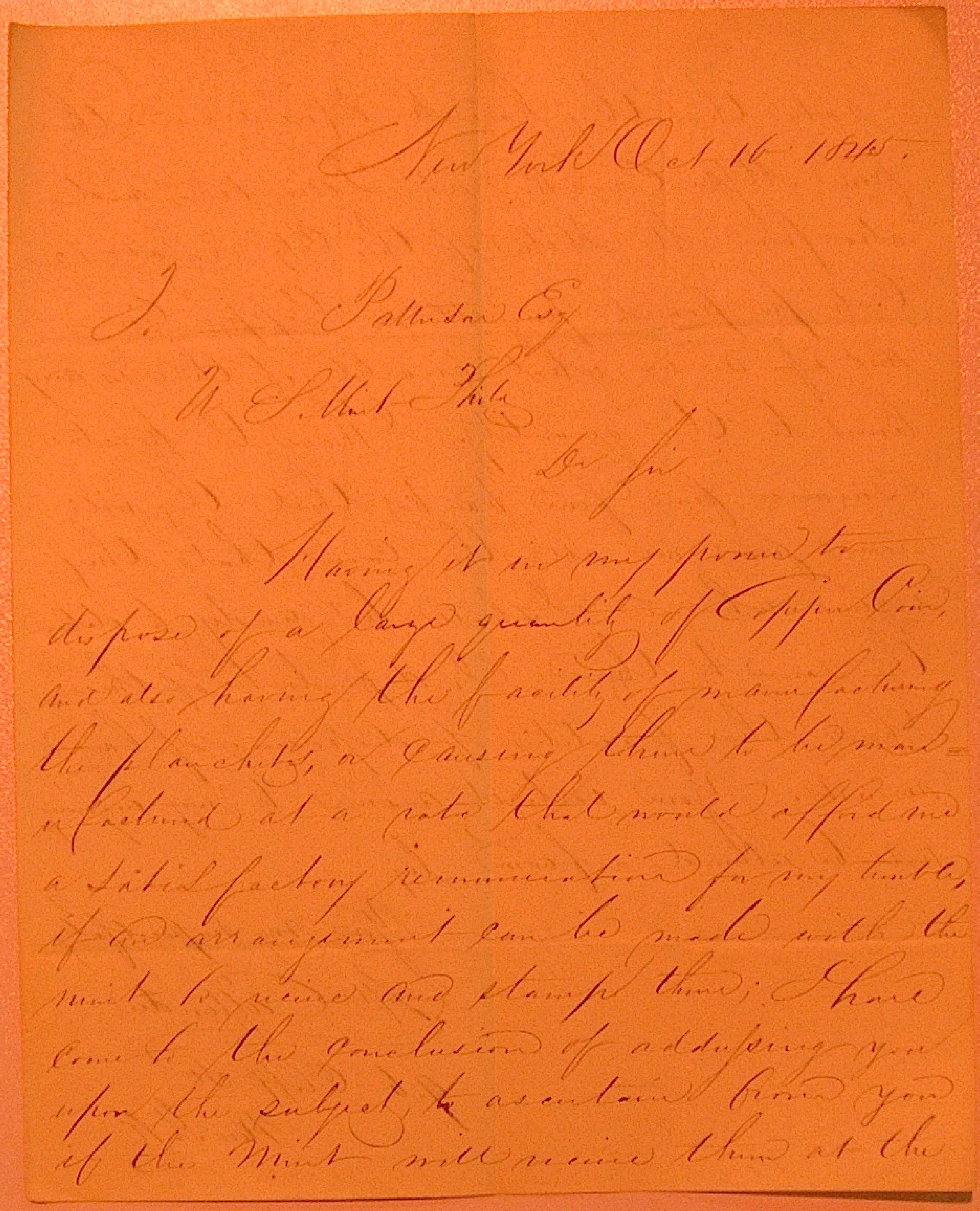
To/
Messrs Crocker, Bros & Co.
Taunton, Mass.



New York Oct 16 1845.

J. Patterson Esq

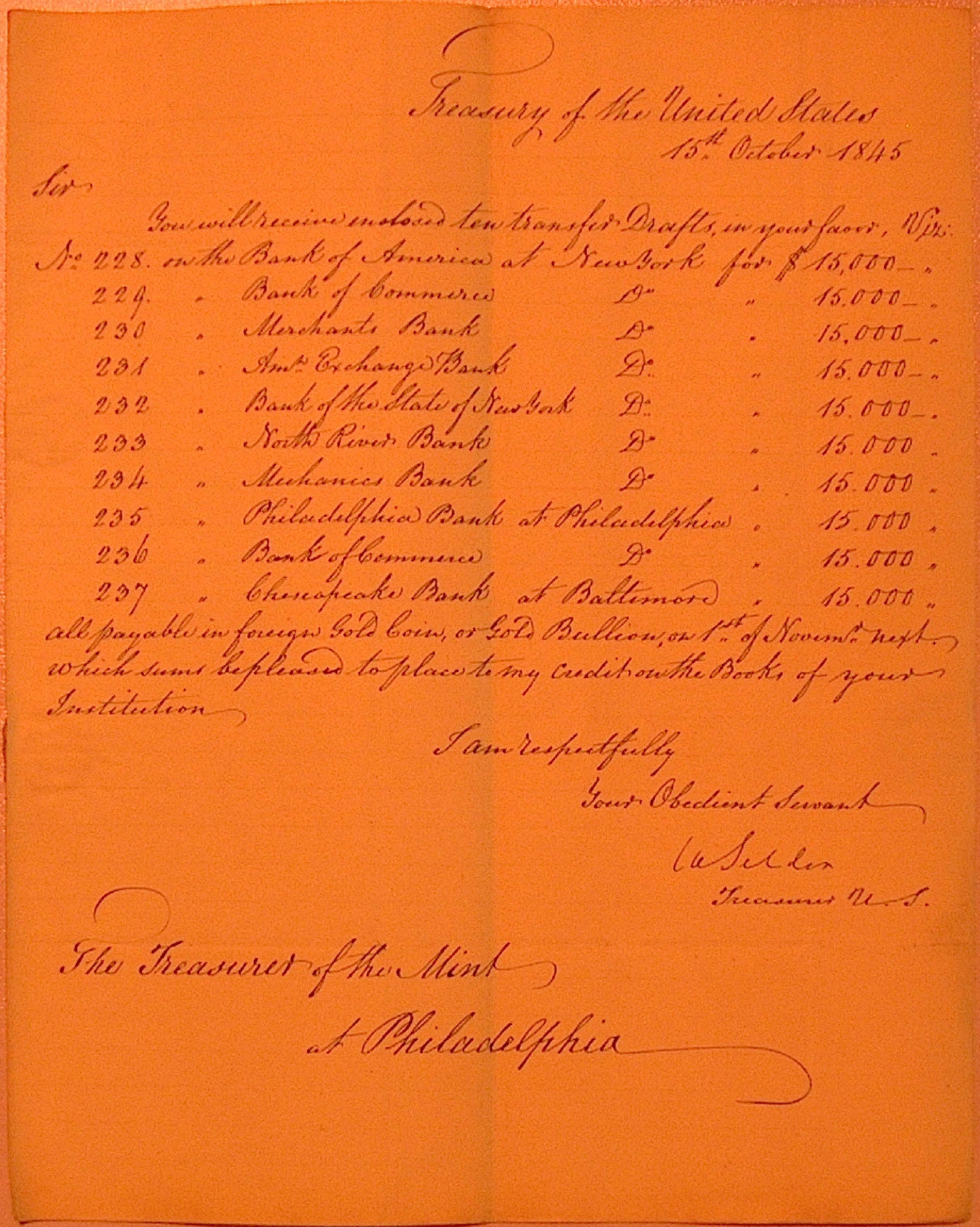
U. S. Mint Phila

Dr Sir

Having it in my power to dispose of a large quantity of Copper Coin, and also having the facility of manufacturing the planchets, or causing them to be manufactured at a rate that would afford me a satisfactory remuneration for my trouble, if an arrangement can be made with the mint to receive and stamp them; I have come to the conclusion of addressing you upon the subject to ascertain from you if the Mint will receive them at the rate that they have heretofore received them from Messrs Crocker at Taunton, and also from Mr Hiler of this City, viz at 32 Cents per pound payable in Copper Coin, and if so in what quantity (if there is any limit to the quantity. I have the positive assurance from four banks that they will receive from me all the Coin that they require whenever I shall be ready to deliver the same to them. Independent of these I have the facilities of disposing of large amounts. Your earliest answer to my enquiry will be esteemed a favour by

Yours very respectfully
Wm Callender

96 Cliff St
New York



Treasury of the United States
15th October 1845

Sir

You will receive enclosed ten transfer Drafts, in your favor, Viz:

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| No. 228. | on the | Bank of America | at New York | for $ | 15,000 – „ |
| 229. | „ | Bank of Commerce | Do. | „ | 15,000 – „ |
| 230 | „ | Merchants Bank | Do. | „ | 15,000 – „ |
| 231 | „ | Amn. Exchange Bank | Do. | „ | 15,000 – „ |
| 232 | „ | Bank of the State of New York | Do. | „ | 15,000 – „ |
| 233 | „ | North River Bank | Do. | „ | 15,000 „ |
| 234 | „ | Mechanics Bank | Do. | „ | 15,000 „ |
| 235 | „ | Philadelphia Bank | at Philadelphia | „ | 15,000 „ |
| 236 | „ | Bank of Commerce | Do. | „ | 15,000 „ |
| 237 | „ | Chesapeake Bank | at Baltimore | „ | 15,000 „ |

all payable in foreign Gold Coin, or Gold Bullion, on 1st of Novemr. next which sums be pleased to place to my credit on the Books of your Institution

I am respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
W Selden
Treasurer U.S.

The Treasurer of the Mint
at Philadelphia

## Receipts.

Payable 1st. November 1845. Dated Oct. 15. 1845

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | No. 228. on the Bank of America, | at | N. York | for | $15,000.– |
| [illegible] | " 229. " " Bank of Commerce, | " | Do | " | 15,000.– |
| [illegible] | " 230. " " Merchants Bank, | " | Do | " | 15,000.– |
| [illegible] | " 231. " " Am. Exchange Bk. | " | Do | " | 15,000.– |
| Nov 1/45 S. Bk. | " 232. " " Bank of the State of N.Y. | " | Do | " | 15,000.– |
| Nov 1/45 [illegible] | " 233. " " North River Bank, | " | Do | " | 15,000.– |
| Octo 23/45 Bk. [illegible] | " 234. " " Mechanics Bank, | " | Do | " | 15,000.– |
| Octo 29/45 Bk. | " 235. " " Philad. Bank, | | Philada. | " | 15,000.– |
| Oct 31/45 Bk. | " 236. " " Bank of Commerce, | " | Do | " | 15,000.– |
| Oct 29/45 Bk. | " 237. " " Chesapeake Bk. | | Balto. | " | 15,000.– |

Payable 1st. November 1845. Dated October 18. 1845

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| Oct 27/45 Bk. | No. 238. on the Patriotic Bk. at Washington D.C. | for | 10,000.– |
| Oct 24/45 [illegible] | " 239. on Mess. Corcoran & Riggs, at Do | " | 10,000.– |
| [illegible] | " 240. on the Bk. of the Metropolis, at Do | " | 10,000.– |
| [illegible] | " 241. on the Bk. of Washington, at Do | " | 10,000.– |

## Payments.

Octo. 24/45. No. 243. Treasury Transfer draft favor Corcoran & Riggs, Wash. D.C. dated 22d. inst.

Entered (Gold $24,500 + Silver $5,699.04) $30,199.04

Branch Farmers Bank Va
Farmville October 13th 1845

R. M. Patterson Esq

Dear Sir

We have some prospect of getting more gold from the Buckingham region, than we would wish to remain on hand till our merchants go on North & East (by whom we usually send our bullion). I have to day sent on to your address a small bag containing 116 3/4 oz to the care of Moody Blair & Co. When received, & ~~[illegible]~~ the value ascertained be pleased to send me the usual statement, that I may know how to settle with the depositors here, & a certificate of deposit (if you use them), or the privilege of checking on you for the proceeds, or any other way you may point out, so that I may avoid the expense of freight back. The bag contains,

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| Wm Eldridge | 19 3/4 oz |
| Miller Guerrant & Co | 77 1/20 " |
| Edwin Moody | 8 1/2 " |
| Tho Armistead | 11 6/20 " |

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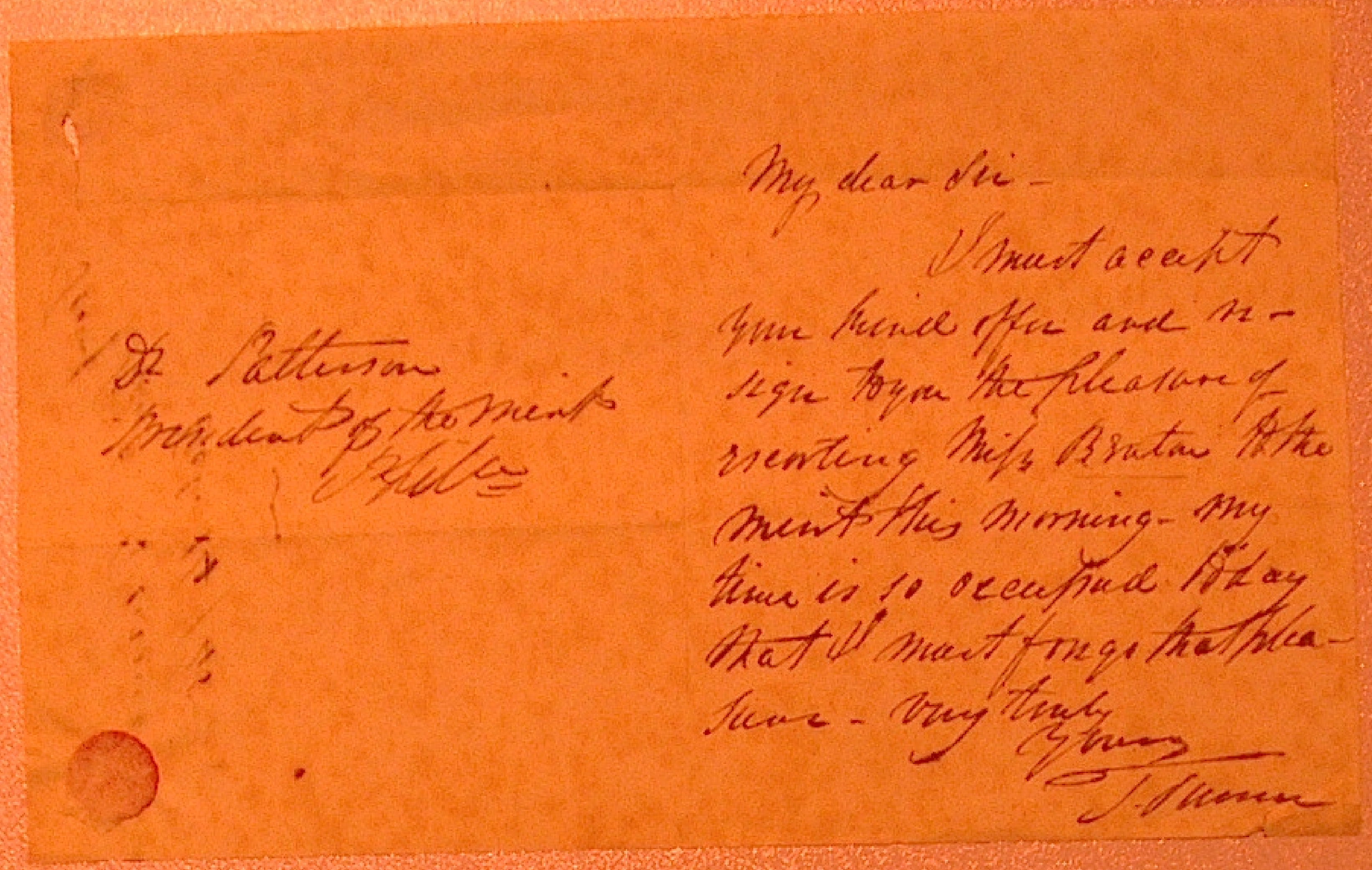


Dr. Patterson
Superintendent of the Mint
Phila

My dear Sir –

I must accept your kind offer and resign to you the pleasure of escorting Miss Benton to the mint this morning – my time is so occupied today that I must forego that pleasure – Very truly
Yours
T. Benton

Taunton Octr. 13. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U. S. Mint
Dear Sir.

Since our letter to you of the 10th inst. we are advised by our friends Messrs. A. G. Millet, New York, that their stock of cents will soon require replenishing — and write to request you to furnish to them the amount of our last bill, instead of Messrs. R. W. Hooper & Co as before requested —

We are

Yours

Very Respectfully

Crocker Bro. & Co.

Mint U. S.
Phil. Oct. 23/48

Dear Sir,

I have given particular ~~attention~~ consideration to your letter of the 24th ult. ~~and must candidly inform you that~~ the most serious objection that presents itself ~~arises from~~ to the proposed measure arises from its indirect character. You propose to make an engagement, the execution of which must depend upon other persons, with whom I have not only no direct communication, but who are not even made known to me. You offer, moreover, no better terms than those obtained from the ~~house~~ manufacturers who are now working for us, and who serve us ~~skilfully~~ faithfully.

An agency in Buffalo would, I presume, be an advantage to the region with which it communicates, and I have no doubt that the manufacturers we now employ, or any others whom we might engage for our work under your recommendation, would be glad to secure your services as an agent.

You are aware that we ~~would~~ send copper coins to Buffalo, ~~in kegs~~, without charge for transportation, free for the kegs ~~and~~ only, for the equivalent of for the coin, paid here in current money, or for in drafts negotiable at par.

R. M. P.

To

John Patterson, Esq.
Buffalo, N. Y.

Mint U.S.
Oct 11 /48.

Dear Sir,

I send enclosed a memorandum of the proceeds of the deposits mentioned in your letter of the 27th ult. Mr. Springs has also a copy, with the receipt, which was given in his name.

R.M.P

To
W. A. Lucas, Esq.
Cal.

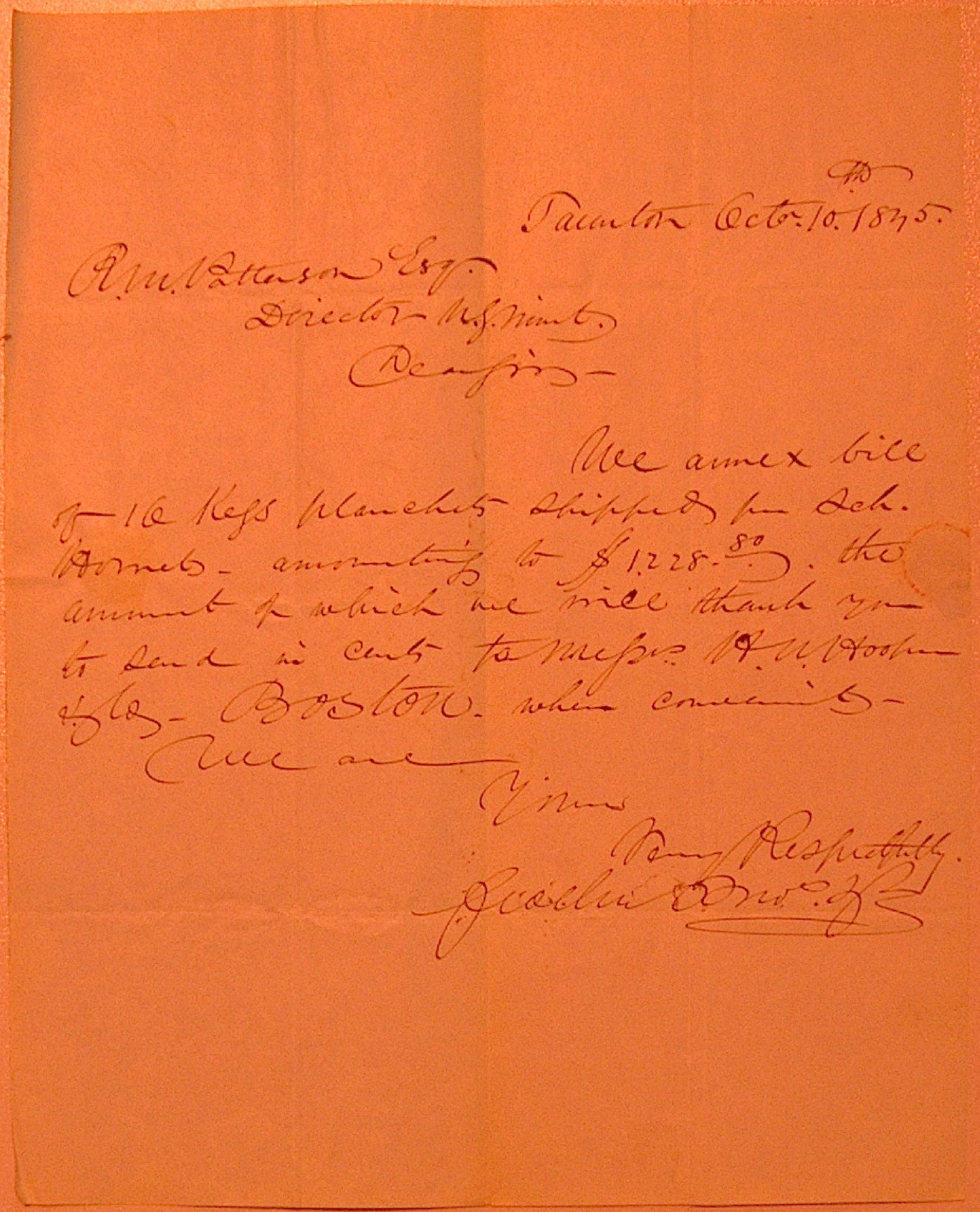
Phenix Bank
Oct 10. 1845

Dear Sir

My friend J. Palmer Esqr Prest of the Merchants Bank N.Y. wishes to visit the Mint. I know you will take great pleasure in showing him its operations and I beg leave to introduce him to you as a gentleman with whose acquaintance you will be much pleased

Yours respectfully
Drew

Mr Patterson
Dirt of Mint



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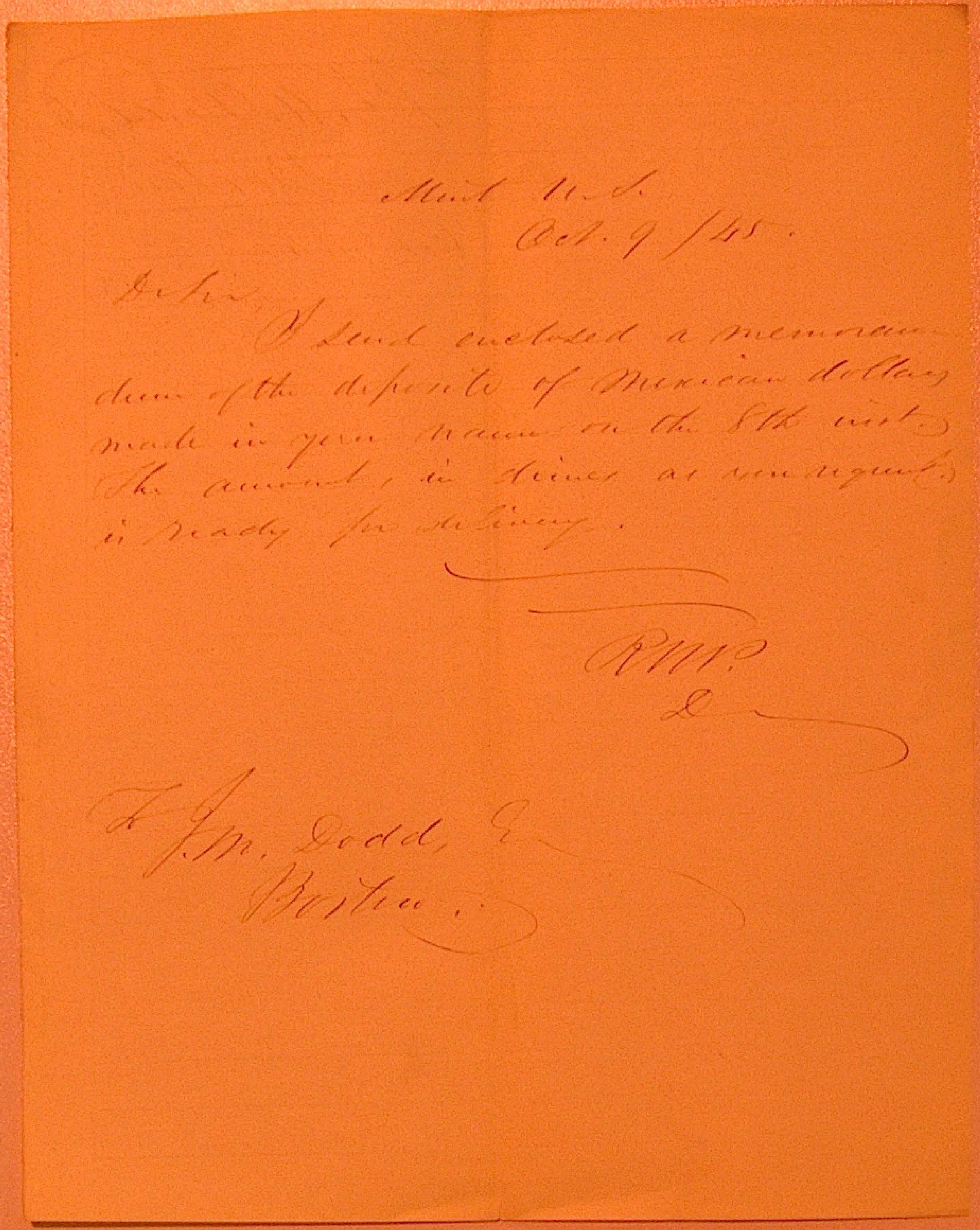
Taunton Oct. 10. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U.S. Mint.
Dear Sir—

We annex bill of 16 Kegs Planchets shipped per Sch. Hornet— amounting to $1228.$^{80}$. the amount of which we will thank you to send in cents to Messrs. H. N. Hooper & Co.— Boston— when convenient—

We are
Yours
Very Respectfully,
Crocker Bro. & Co.



Mint U.S.
Oct. 9 / 45.

Dr Sir,

I send enclosed a memorandum of the deposits of Mexican dollars made in your name on the 8th inst. The amount, in dimes as you requested, is ready for delivery.

R.M.P.
Dr

To J.M. Dodd, Esq
Boston.

Mint U.S.
Oct. 8, 1845.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th inst., ~~with~~ with a copy of your communication to A. D. Bache Esq., ~~a copy of your communication~~ respecting my application for a set of Standard weights and measures to be deposited at the Mint. I am entirely satisfied with the decision which you have made; ~~I am convinced that it would be inexpedient, if not impracticable, to make such exact adjustments at the Mint, of the copies of Standards formerly required for Pennsylvania and other States. I of Standards required~~ and have now only to ask that, at such time as Mr. Bache may find convenient, a set of weights and measures should be ~~depos~~ placed at the Mint, as a safe and appropriate depository; ~~but not to be used~~

R.M.P.

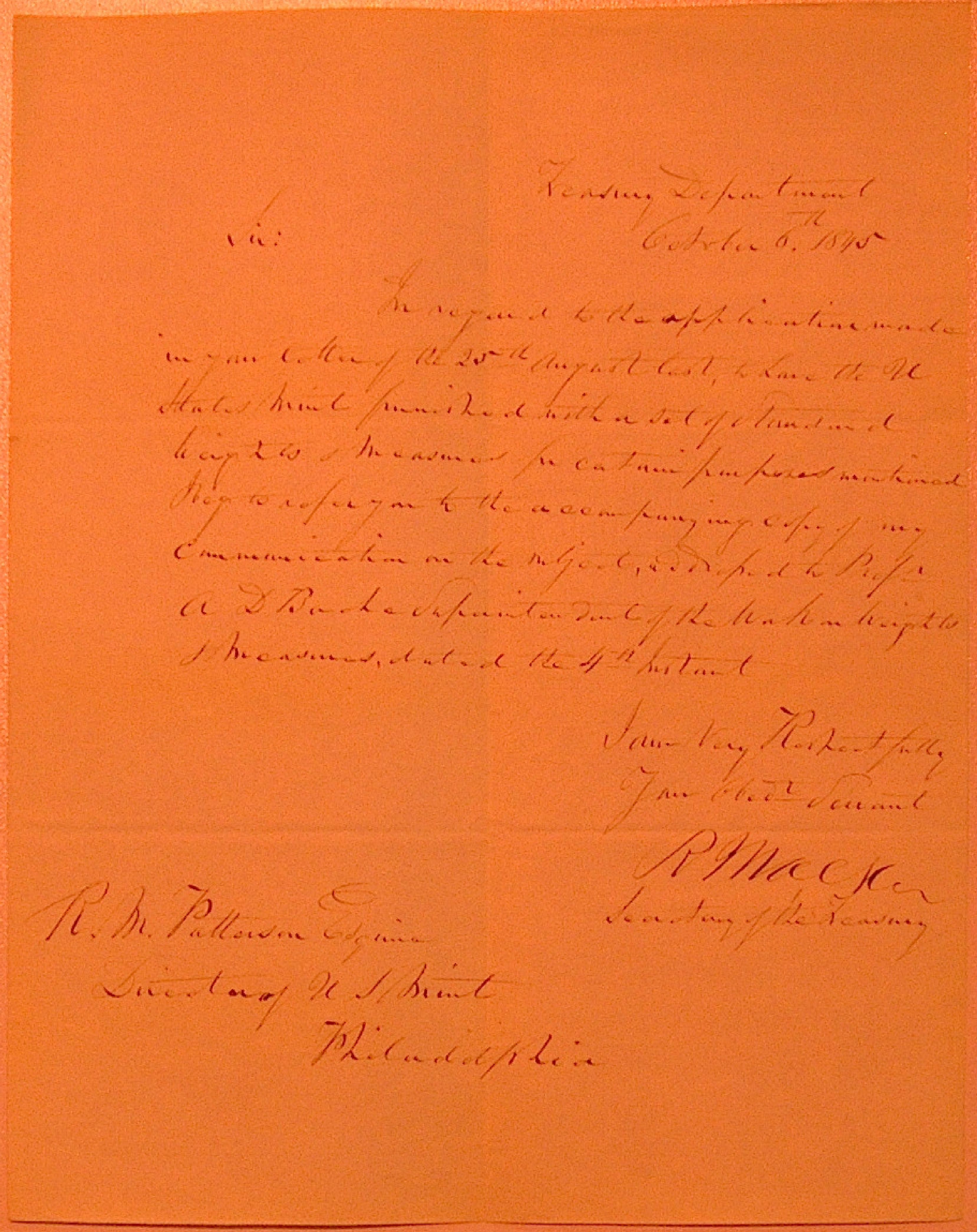
To/ Hon. R. J. Walker,
Sec. of Treasy.

Branch Bank of Cape Fear
Raleigh N.C
Oct 8 1848

Doct R. M. Patterson
Director &c

Dear Sir
your favor of the 6th
has been rec^d with the Mint Certif of $140.26

Very Respectfully
Yr Obt Servt
W H Jones
Cashr



Treasury Department
October 6th 1845

Sir:

In regard to the application made in your letter of the 25th August last, to have the U States Mint furnished with a set of standard Weights & Measures for certain purposes mentioned, I beg to refer you to the accompanying copy of my communication on the subject, addressed to Prof. A. D. Bache Superintendent of the Making Weights & Measures, dated the 4th instant.

I am very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servant
R J Walker
Secretary of the Treasury

R. M. Patterson Esquire
Director of U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Mint U.S. Oct. 6, 1840)

Sir,

I have thought it proper to send the enclosed letter and papers under cover to you, in view of the contingency of Mr. Stone's having left Raleigh. I have left them unsealed that you may take such action upon them as the circumstances may call for.

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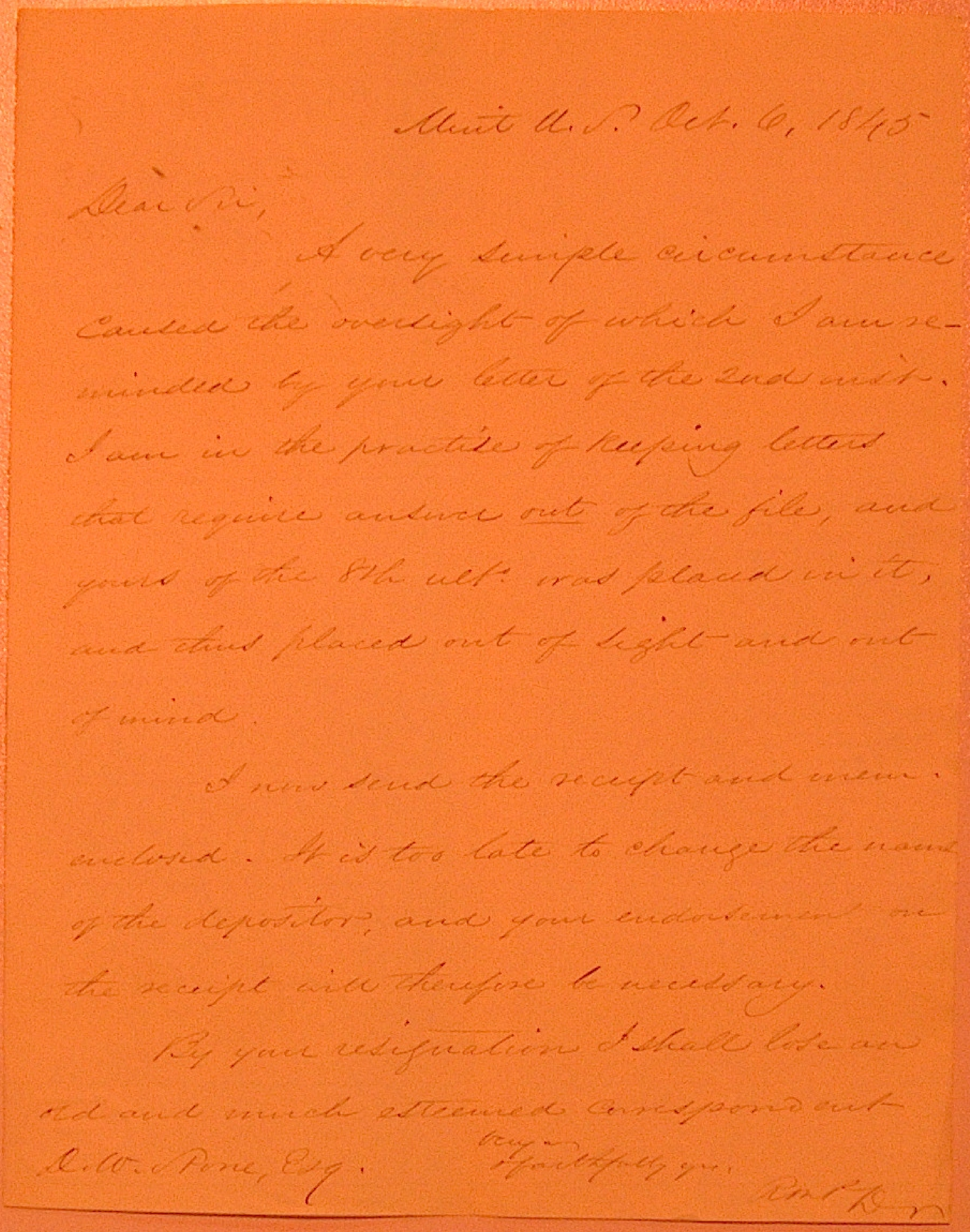
R.M.P.

To/
W. H. Jones, Esq.
Cashier &c.



Mint U. S. Oct. 6, 1845

Dear Sir,

A very simple circumstance caused the oversight of which I am reminded by your letter of the 2nd inst. I am in the practice of keeping letters that require answer out of the file, and yours of the 8th ult. was placed in it, and thus placed out of sight and out of mind.

I now send the receipt and mem. enclosed. It is too late to change the name of the depositor, and your endorsement on the receipt will therefore be necessary.

By your resignation I shall lose an old and much esteemed correspondent.

D. W. Pone, Esq.

very
Respectfully yrs.

Robt [illegible]

Boston October 6th 1845

Mr R. M. Patterson

Director of the U.S. Mint Pha

Dear Sir

I send you one bag Mexican Dollars weighing 866 Oz 8 dwts which please have coined into Dimes and inform me when they will be ready

Yours Respectfully

J. M. Dodd

(Copy.)

Treasury Department,
October 11. 1845.

Sir:

Due consideration has been given to the suggestions contained in your report to the department of the 8th ultimo, respecting the application from the Director of the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia to have that establishment supplied with a set of standard weights and measures, to be used in the adjustment of standards prepared for certain cities & counties referred to. It appears that the mint has already been furnished with such standard weights as were deemed needful for its operations, and it may be expedient and proper to supply it with a set of all the standards, but the propriety of using them for the purposes before stated is deemed doubtful.

Each State, as directed by law, is to receive a full set of standard weights & measures and a balance. Accompanying these there will be proper directions for instituting comparisons or adjustments with the same. It must therefore be left to the States themselves to direct the mode by which the respective counties shall be supplied with standards. In furnishing a complete set of standards to the respective States the Department

complies

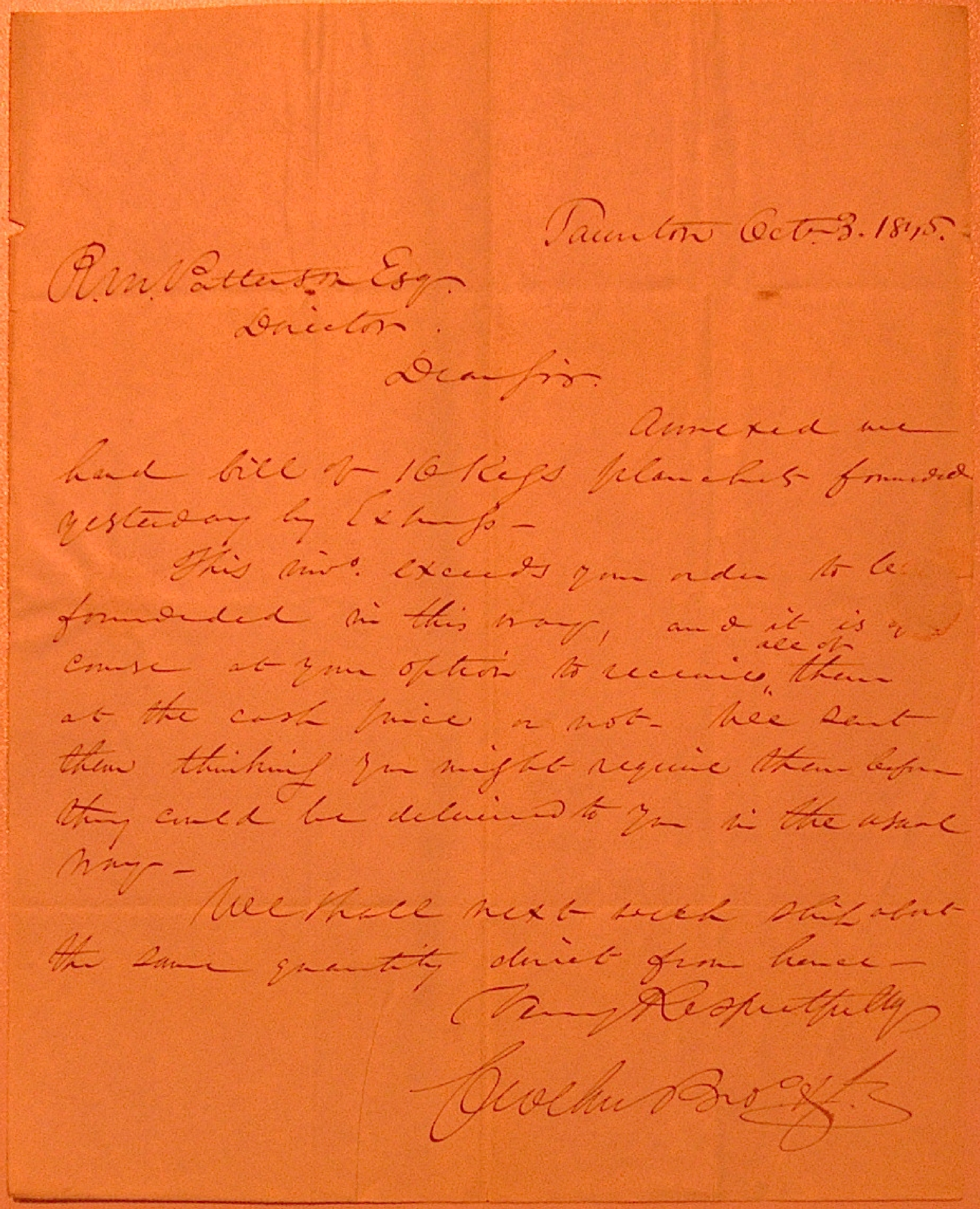
complies with the direction given in the law, and has no authority to go beyond its provisions.

Were adjustments & comparisons for the Counties in the States you mention, to be made at the public establishment in this city, they would necessarily interfere with the regular business and retard the termination of the unfinished portion of the work. This work you are aware has been in operation some ten or twelve years, and the solicitude of Congress has been already excited in consequence of delay in its completion. If the privilege referred to should be granted in the case of one state it could not be refused to others, and if the establishment be kept in operation for such purposes it is difficult to foresee the probable end of this expensive work.

For the foregoing reasons I should not feel justified in sanctioning the measure before referred to.

I am very respectfully,
Your obedient servant
(signed) R. J. Walker,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Prof. A. D. Bache
Supt. of Weights & Measures &c.
Dedham, Mass.



Taunton Oct. 3. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director.

Dear Sir.

Annexed we hand bill of 16 Kegs planchets forwarded yesterday by Express—

This amt. exceeds your order to be forwarded in this way, and it is of course at your option to receive all of them at the cash price or not. We sent them thinking you might require them before they could be delivered to you in the usual way—

We shall next week ship about the same quantity direct from hence—

Very Respectfully
Crocker Bro & Co.

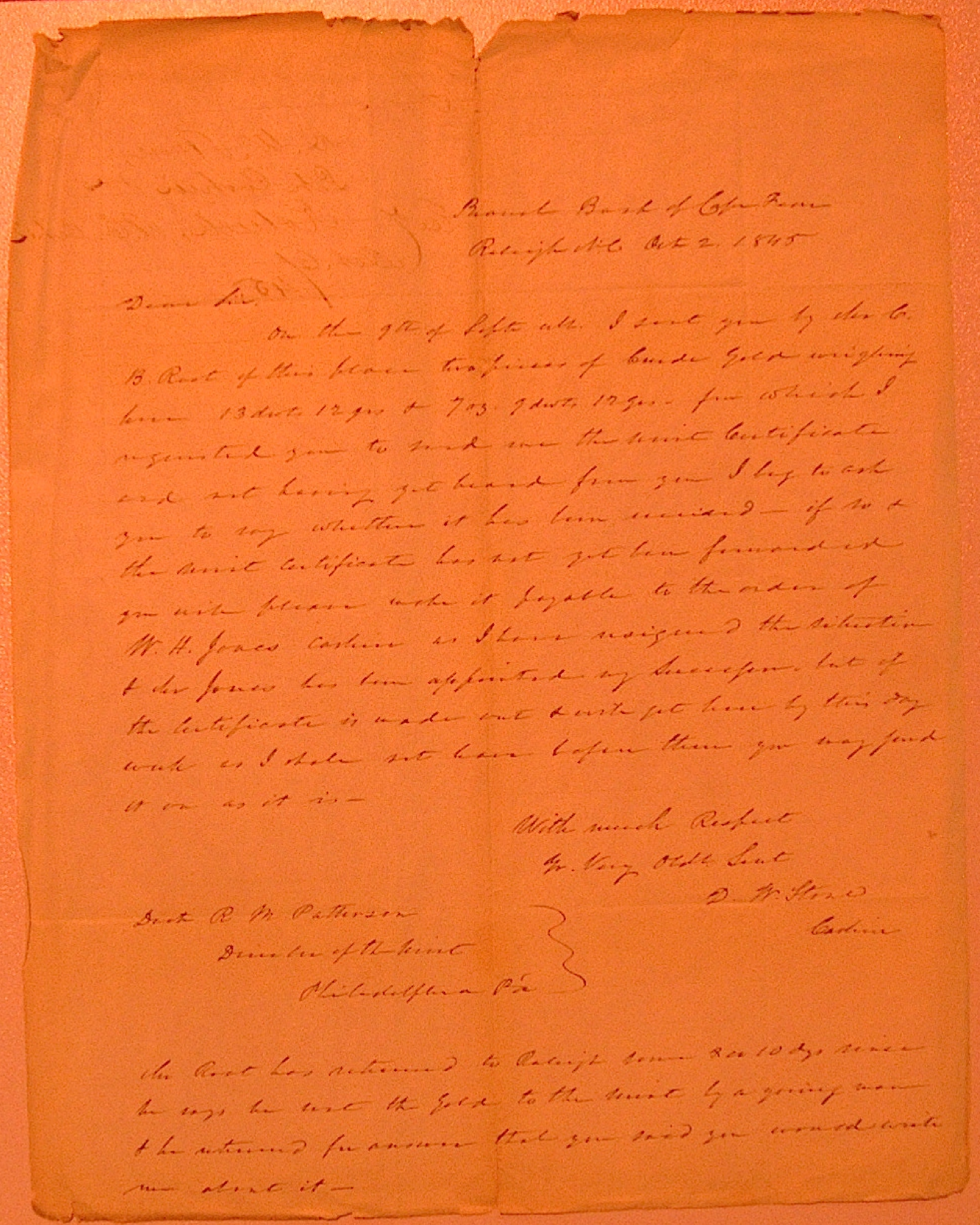
Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
October 2d 1845

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your accounts of Bullion Copper Coinage and ordinary Expenses for the Quarter Ending 30th September 1845

With due respect
Your Obt Servant
Wm Collins
1st Auditor &c

Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer &c
Philadelphia



Branch Bank of Cape Fear
Raleigh N.C. Oct 2. 1845

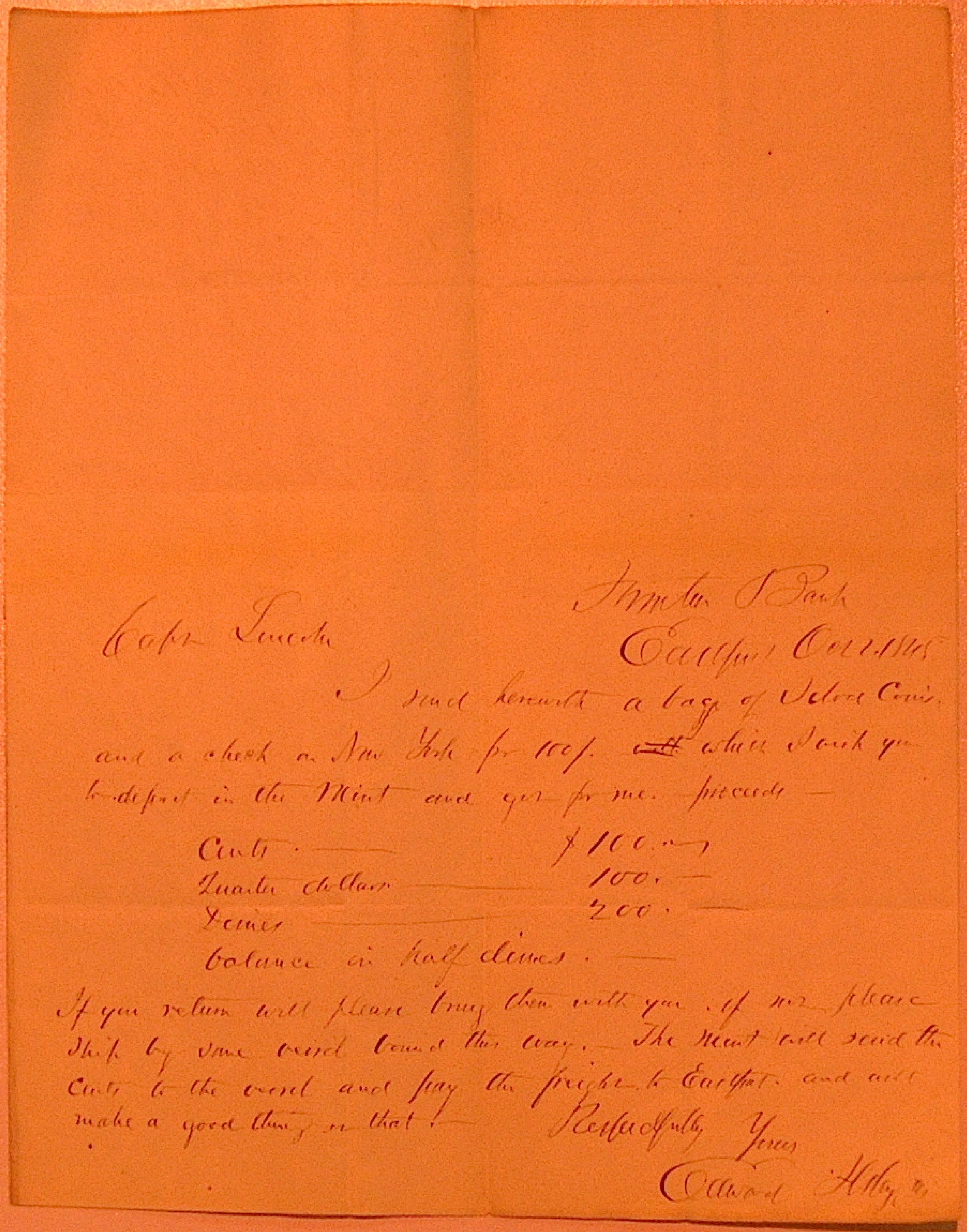
Dear Sir

On the 9th of Septr. ult. I sent you by Mr C. B. Root of this place two pieces of Crude Gold weighing here 13 dwts 12 grs & 703. 9 dwts 12 grs. for which I requested you to send me the Mint Certificate and not having yet heard from you I beg to ask you to say whether it has been received — if so & the Mint Certificate has not yet been forwarded you will please make it payable to the order of W. H. Jones Cashier as I have resigned the situation & Mr Jones has been appointed my Successor, but if the Certificate is made out & will get here by this day week as I shall not leave before then you may send it on as it is—

With much Respect
Yr. Very Obdt Servt
D. W. Stone
Cashier

Doct. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia Pa

Mr Root has returned to Raleigh some 8 or 10 days since he says he sent the Gold to the Mint by a young man & he returned for answer that you said you would write me about it—



Frontier Bank
Eastport Oct 1865

Capt Lincoln

I send herewith a bag of Silver Coins and a check on New York for 100/. ~~at~~ which I wish you to deposit in the Mint and get for me. proceeds —

| | |
|---|---|
| Cents — | $100.00 |
| Quarter dollars — | 100. — |
| Dimes — | 200. — |
| balance in half dimes. — | |

If you return will please bring them with you. If not please Ship by some vessel bound this way. — The Mint will send the Cents to the vessel and pay the freight to Eastport. and will make a good thing in that! —

Respectfully Yours
Edward

Mint of the United States.
Sept. 24, 1845.

Gentlemen,

Your two last invoices, of 9 kegs each, are already disposed of, and we have now demands for cents which we cannot satisfy. Please then to send us 18 ~~9~~ kegs more, as early as possible, & by the land conveyance. Payment to be made in cash.

Please also to hasten the 20 tons ordered in my letter of the 9th.

R. M. P.

Messrs Crocker, Bros, & Co.

Mint U.S.
Sept. 25/48

Dear Sir,

I am desirous of sending a package of seven medals to a gentleman in London, in acknowledgment of his favors to the Cabinet of the Mint. Beg you to inform me whether I would act properly in sending the same to the Agent of the Dept. of State at New York, (I forget his name) under cover to to our Minister at London.

R.M.P.
D.

Francis Markoe Esq.
Dept. of State.

Washington 26 Sept 45.

Dear Sir

The Secretary of State, to whom I read your letter to me of yesterdays date, says, in reply to its inquiry that you are at liberty to send the package of seven medals, referred to in your communication, to Fernando Wood, Agent of the State Dept. in N. York, under cover to the U. S. Legation in London, upon condition that the expenses incurred thereby shall be discharged by you.

Very respectfully yrs

Francis Markoe Jr

R. M. Patterson Esq

Mint U. S.
Sept. 26, 1845.

Sir,

In a letter to you of the 24th ult., I mentioned that Mr Leonard, who is an applicant for the office of Engraver of the Mint, was about to prepare a die which might show his skill as an artist. He has done so, and I now send inclosed an impression which we have taken from the die in fusible alloy.

It is certainly a creditable production, though not an unexceptionable one, as he himself acknowledges. Although it was not at first, as Mr Leonard says, intended to be a likeness of Louis Philippe, it is still, in all essential points, a copy of the head ~~of fr~~ on the coins of that monarch, and cannot therefore lay full claim to the rank of an original production.

Mr Leonard is not without a competitor for the place which he seeks. There is a young artist, named Welsh, of no inconsiderable merit, who is now engaged in a trial of his skill. As there is no pressing necessity to make a choice for a successor to Mr. Longacre, — supposing even that it is determined that he shall be superseded, — I hope that no decision will be made until the new specimens can be introduced into the competition.

R. M. P.

To/
Hon. R. J. Walker,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Bank of the State of N Caro
Br at Charlotte 27 Sept 1845

Dear Sir

I send by Mr LeRoy Springs a packet of Gold Bullion which please have assayed as per Mem below. Please deliver the Coin to Mr Springs and I will thank you to send me the Mem of assay by Mail at your earliest Convenience

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| No 1✓ | W. W. Elms | 153.19 |
| 2✓ | Same | 198. |
| 3✓ | Same | 366 |
| 4✓ | Same | 393.12 |
| 5✓ | Same | 604. |
| 6✓ | Same | 716. |
| 7✓ | Same | 908. |
| 8✓ | Same | 1.269. |
| 9✓ | Same | 1.279 |
| 10✓ | W. W. E. for E. Stewart | 356 |
| 11✓ | W. W. E. " M. Allen | 619. |
| 12✓ | Thos Trotter | 1.373.12 |
| 13✓ | Peoples & Maxwell | 973.14 |
| 14✓ | H. B. & L. S. Williams | 569.21 |

Very Respectfully
Yr. Obt St
W A Lucas
Cashr

Dr. R M Patterson
Director &c
Philada
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9779 4 1778

Taunton Sept. 27. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director.

Dear Sir.

We have received your favor of the 24th inst. & now annex bill of 9 Kegs planchets, p Exp which we have receipted – & will thank you to remit as before –

Yours

Very Respectfully,
Crocker Bro. & Co.

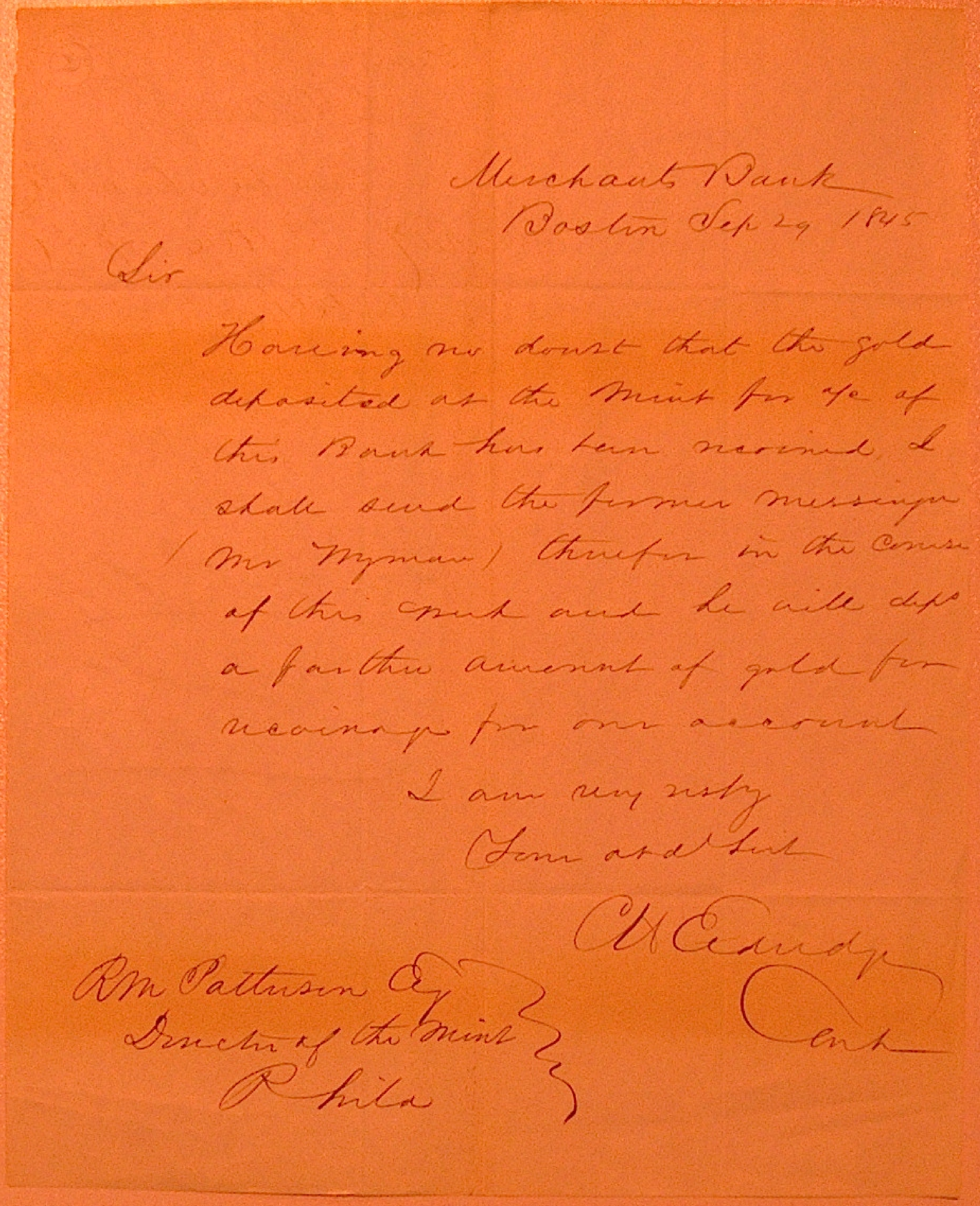
September 28th 1845

To Dr. R. M. Patterson
U.S. Mint, Phia
Dear Sir

A constituent of mine Mr Reuben Perry was one of the contractors firm of Perry & Ligon who built the Mint at Charlotte N.C. under a contract dated on the 8th Dec. 1835. A difficulty grew up about an alteration in the building, or rather about the mode of finishing the cornice, and the compensation for that work. Maj: McComb, admitting that the contractors were to be paid something extra for it, was not willing to pay as much as they charged. He agreed to refer it to three Gentlemen of Charlotte who were known to me, to be gentlemen of the highest character & integrity to ascertain and fix what was to be allowed. – These were Messrs. Thomas Harris, James H. Orr, (since dead) and John Irwin: who on the 7th Sep: 1837, awarded $1177 instead of $1498. claimed for this item – giving only the actual expense paid for the stone used – This Item was however not paid by the Department, in consequence of objections made by yourself, and which I now am satisfied were based on a misapprehension of facts. Viz – 1st that it was a saving to the contractors, and 2nd that they used hewn or dressed stone flags, instead of rough stone slabs – for as to the first, they made no profit as the actual cost of the stone, (which had to be got 21 miles off) was $1177; and as to the 2nd, the slabs used were strictly rough, and not hewn or dressed – that I may not be misapprehended, let me explain – The flags were three feet long, projecting one foot, – the rough & uneven parts were barely knocked off sufficiently to allow them to lie well two feet in the wall, the under side of the projection (i.e. one foot) was roughly chiselled off to give a hold for rough casting which was intended at first by Maj: McComb – but which he afterwards changed to painting – this chiselling was coarse work & cost almost nothing. These facts were not shown to you with the sufficient clearness then but they are now susceptible, of the most unquestionable proofs. I have only refered to this in passing to show you that the chief difficulty in your mind might easily have been removed, if the contractors had been men accustomed to business transactions on paper – they were unfortunately men who knew better how to work, than to write or give clear explanations on paper. Th

In the contract there is as passage to which I beg leave to ask your reference. it is that part of the contract, which is in the obligation of the bond of contract, ~~and~~ which says that the printed specifications are to be modified according to a plan which "is to be drawn out by Wm Strickland Archt, and which is hereafter to be furnished by the said Strickland". Mr Perry informs me that no plan for the cornice had been furnished – There was merely a specification in the contract stating the cornice should be of brick – that he called on Maj: McComb for the plan which was to be furnished, and then suggested that for two reasons a stone cornice would be best – 1st because it would strengthen the building – & 2nd it would add to its beauty. The reasons for these conclusions were that the material for brick at Charlotte was not good nor of the kind to allow large or long brick of sufficient strength to give a cornice of such proportions and power [illegible] this building required. He immedi-ately declared he was satisfied it was so, and would write, and send a plan for such an one [illegible] the contractor thought best, if they would furnish one – Mr Sey[illegible] then drew [illegible] which he gave to Maj: McComb and which Maj: McComb said he sent to you and which was afterwards returned with remarks which I understand are in Mr Strickland's hand writing. This plan and the note of Maj McComb on its ~~and~~ back has not date but from your letter to the Secretary of the treasury dated July 20th 1837, I learn that Maj: McComb in a postscript to a letter of the 25th May 1836 had called your atten-tion to the point and that you had refered it to Wm Strickland who "presented a plan for this purpose, in writing, which was sent by me to Maj: McComb". This plan Mr Perry says is the one I now render to you for the purpose of verification and I particularly beg you to give this subject your consideration and to answer me in regard to it in several particulars. The 1st is, is this plan the one you refer to in your letter to the Secy of the Treasury of the 20th July 1837? 2nd Have you copies of Maj: McComb's letter to you of ~~may~~ May 25th 1836 – and your answer and also of Mr Strickland's ~~[illegible]~~ reply to your reference to him mentioned in that answer? and will you do me the favor to send me copies of them?

I trust you will hold me excused, sir, for thus troubling you when I inform you that Mr Perry is a constituent highly respected and esteemed by me – is now in the decline of life and in exceedingly reduced circumstances. He contemplates renewing his claim to the Government, which his poverty and misfortunes have rendered him unable to do heretofore, and which I, both from duty – and incli-nation, founded in a conviction of its justice, shall press in the next Congress or to the secretary for payment. If sir your mind is satisfied he ought to be paid and you feel justified in saying so, it will, I know, [illegible] far towards obtaining justice for him, and I will be most happy to have such testimonial at your hand



Merchants Bank
Boston Sep 29 1845

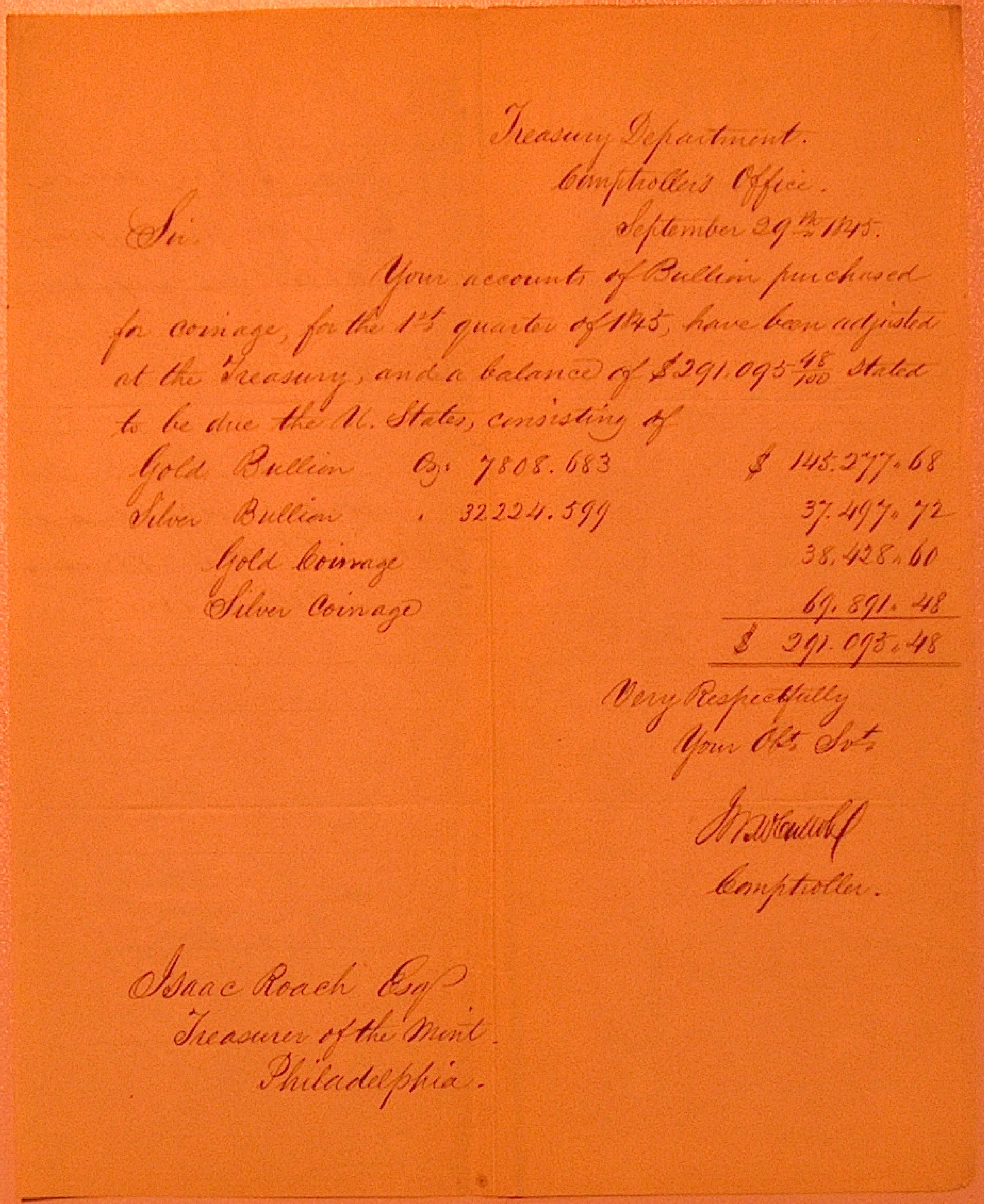
Sir

Having no doubt that the gold deposited at the Mint for a/c of this Bank has been received, I shall send the former messenger (Mr Wyman) therefor in the course of this week and he will dept a further amount of gold for recoinage for our account

I am very respy
Your obdt Servt

C H Eandy
Cashr

R M Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Phila



Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
September 29th 1845.

Sir

Your accounts of Bullion purchased for coinage, for the 1st quarter of 1845, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $291.095 $\frac{48}{100}$ stated to be due the U. States, consisting of

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gold Bullion | Oz: 7808.683 | $ 145.277.68 |
| Silver Bullion | " 32224.599 | 37.497.72 |
| Gold Coinage | | 38.428.60 |
| Silver Coinage | | 69.891.48 |
| | | $ 291.095.48 |

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

J. W. McCulloh
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

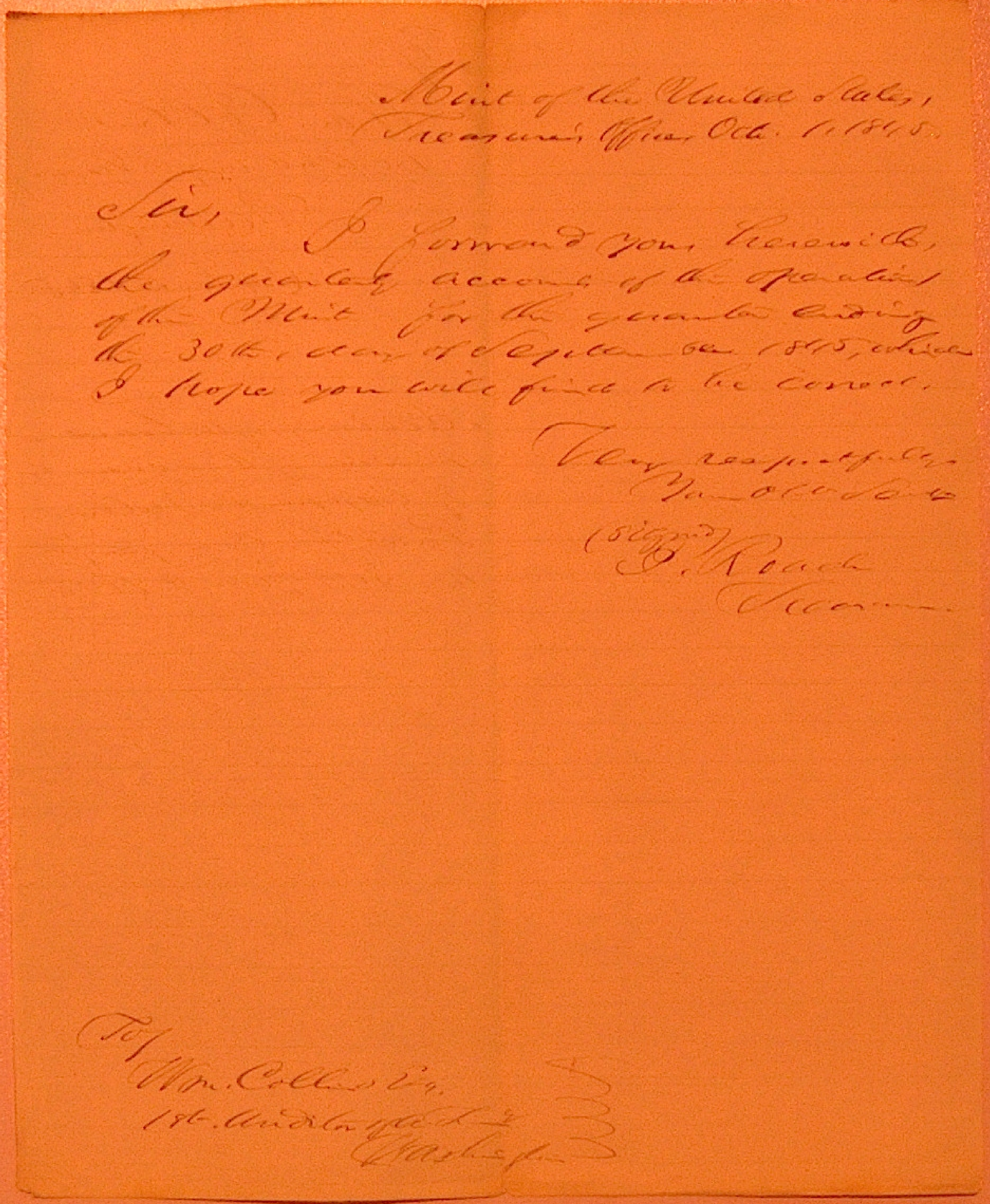
Mint of the United States
Treasurer's office, Oct. [illegible] 1848.

Sir,

I forward you herewith, the quarterly accounts of the Ordinary receipts and expenditures of the Mint, for the third Quarter of the present year; which I hope you will find to be correct.

Very respectfully,
Your obed. Servt.
I. Roach
Treasurer

William Collins Esqr.,
First Auditor of the Treasury.



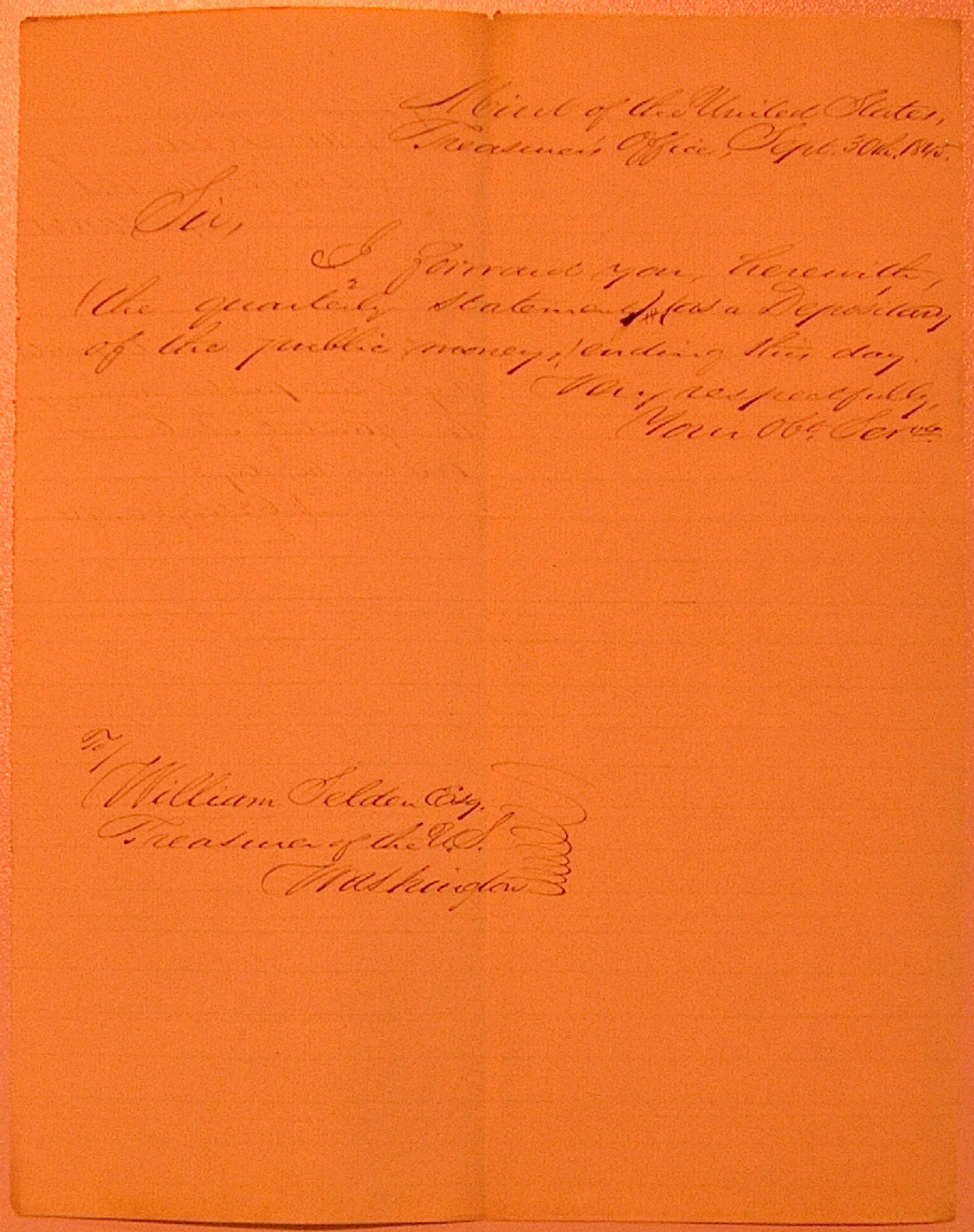
Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, Oct. 1. 1845.

Sir,

I forward you, herewith, the quarterly account of the operations of the Mint for the quarter ending the 30th. day of September 1845, which I hope you will find to be correct.

Very respectfully,
Yr. obt. Servt.
(Signed) I. Roach
Treasurer

To/
Wm. Collins Esq.
1st. Auditor of the Treasury
Washington



Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, Sept. 30th. 1845.

Sir,

I forward you, herewith, the quarterly statement, as a Depository of the public money, ending this day.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.

To/
William Selden Esq.
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington

Mint U. S. Phil. Sept. 24, 1845.

Gentlemen,

I have received from Mr. John Patterson of Buffalo, a letter relating to a proposal for supplying copper planchets to the Mint, so that he may have a depôt of copper planchets established at Buffalo.

As he refers me to your house for information as to his character and responsibility, I beg that you tell me what you know of his standing, and of his views in the measure which he has in contemplation so far as you are acquainted with them. Is Mr. Patterson himself a manufacturer, and if so where is his establishment?

Is not Buffalo supplied with cents from your house; to what extent; on what terms? By the last question, I mean merely to ask whether you send the coins, at your own expense to this and other points where they are required.

Yr

&c

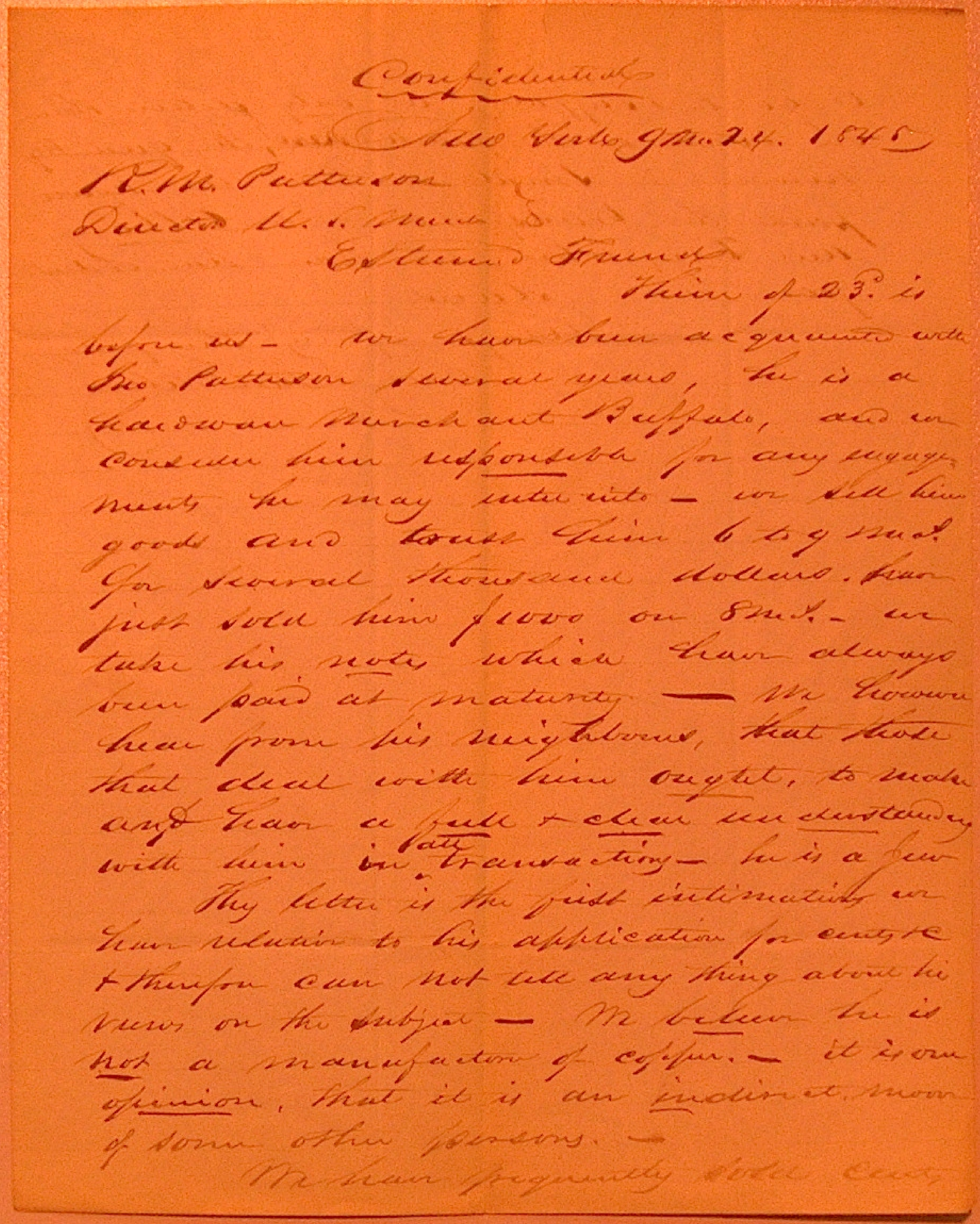
R. M. P.

Dr

To/

Mess. A. & S. Willets

New York.



Confidential

New York Jan. 24. 1845

R. M. Patterson
Director U. S. Mint

Esteemed Friend

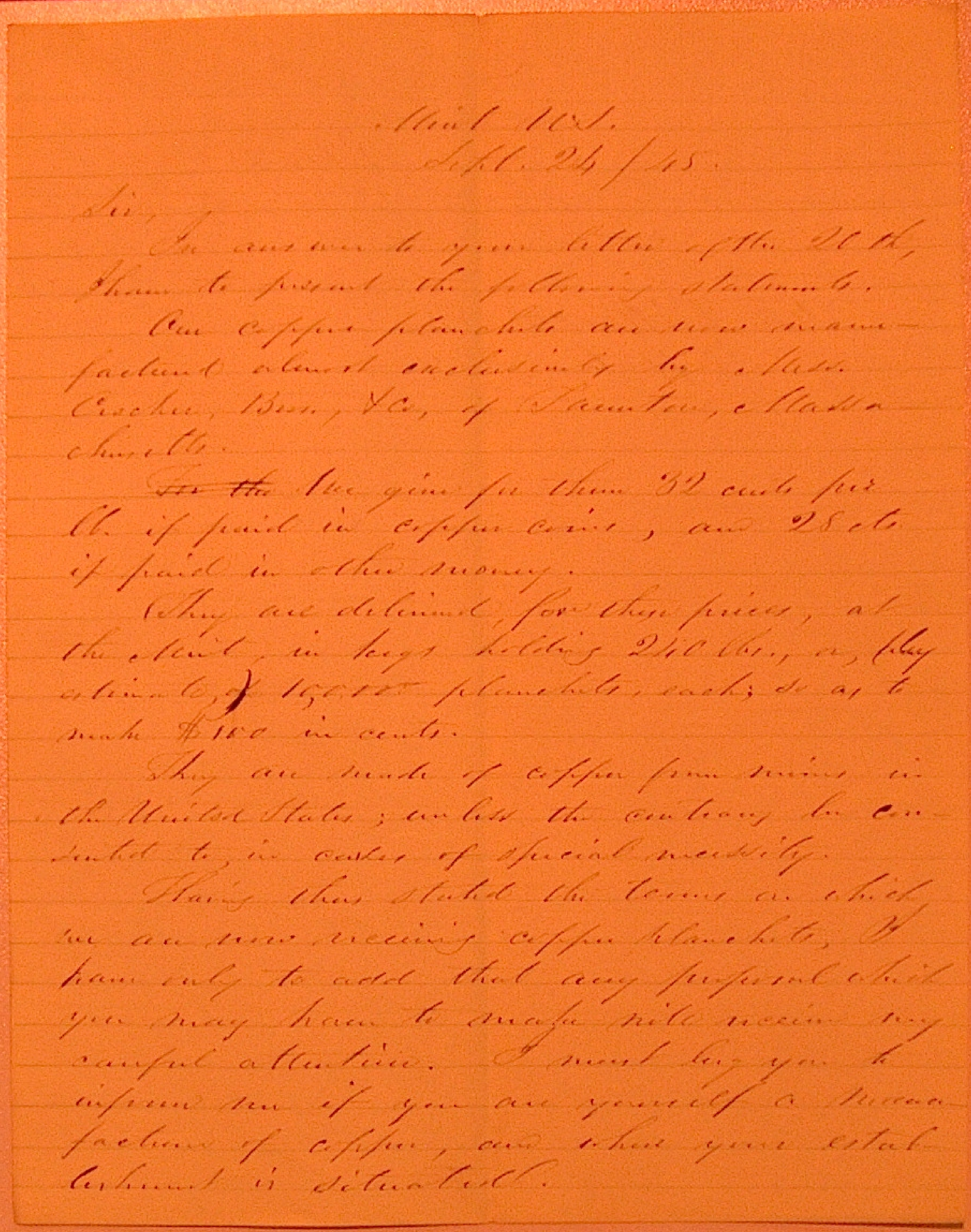
Thine of 23. is before us — we have been acquainted with Jno Patterson several years, he is a hardware Merchant Buffalo, and we consider him *responsible* for any engagements he may enter into — we sell him goods and trust him 6 to 9 mos. for several thousand dollars. have just sold him $1000 on 8 mos. — we take his *notes* which have always been paid at maturity — We however hear from his neighbours, that those that deal with him *ought*, to make and have a *full* & *clear* *understanding* with him in all transactions — he is a Jew

Thy letter is the first intimation we have relative to his application for cents &c & therefore can not tell any thing about his views on the subject — We *believe* he is *not* a manufacturer of copper. — it is our *opinion*, that it is an *indirect* move of some other persons. —

We have frequently sold cents

to go to Buffalo, we only deliver them
on board of the packet boat, the quantity
however is small. — We have however
paid the transportation to Albany
and Troy, where we have had orders
from those places

Respectfully thy frds
Amos & Saml Willets



Mint U.S.
Sept. 24/45.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 20th, I have to present the following statements.

Our copper planchets are now manufactured almost exclusively by Messrs. Crocker, Bros, & Co, of Taunton, Massachusetts.

~~For the~~ We give for them 32 cents per lb. if paid in copper coins, and 28 cts if paid in other money.

They are delivered, for these prices, at the Mint, in kegs holding 240 lbs., or, (by estimate) of 16,000 planchets, each; so as to make $160 in cents.

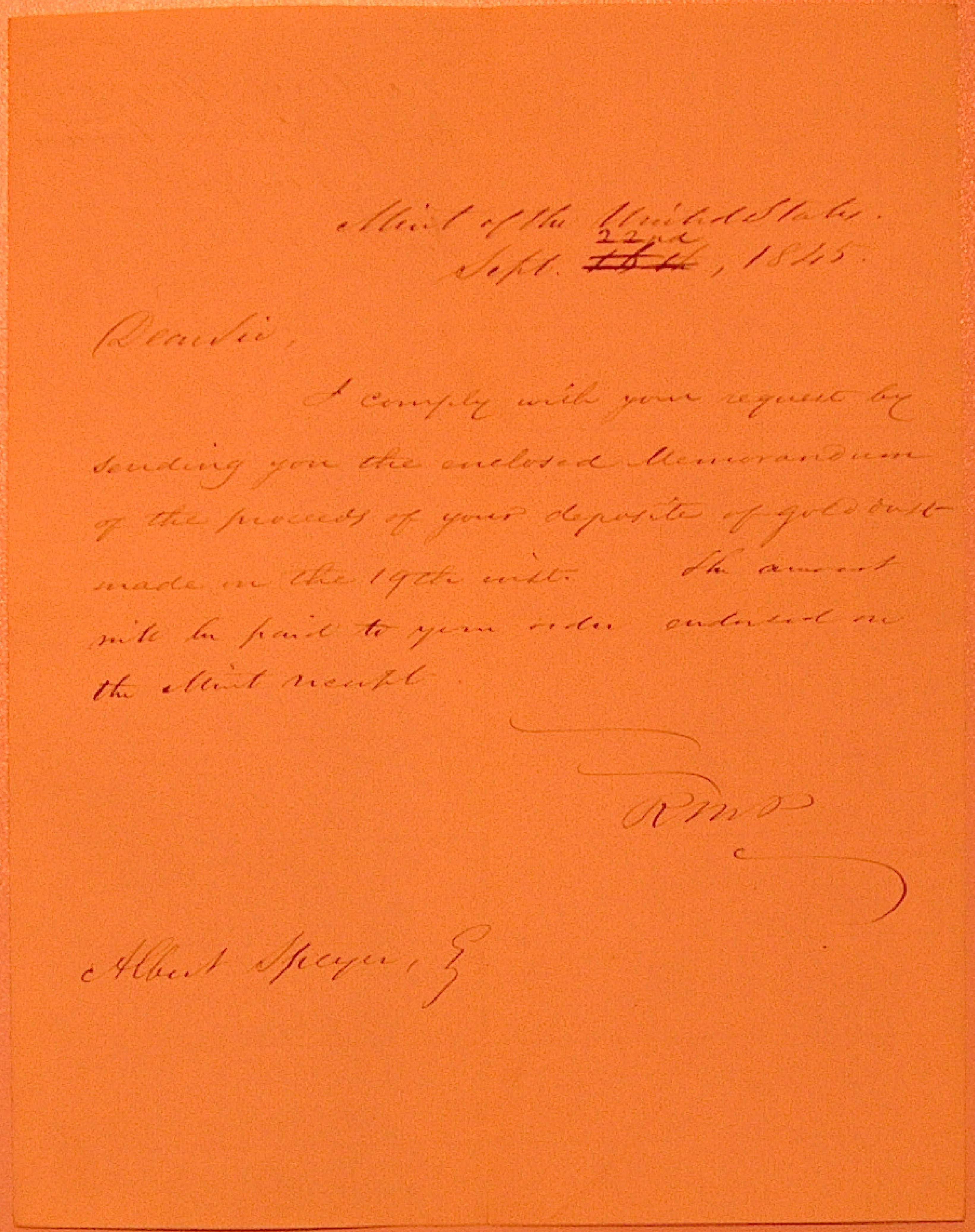
They are made of copper from mines in the United States; unless the contrary be consented to, in cases of special necessity.

Having thus stated the terms on which we are now receiving copper planchets, I have only to add that any proposal which you may have to make will receive my careful attention. I must beg you to inform me if you are yourself a manufacturer of copper, and where your establishment is situated.

R.W.T.

&c.

To
John Patterson, Esq.
Buffalo, N.Y.



Mint of the United States.
Sept. ~~19th~~ 22nd, 1845.

Dear Sir,

I comply with your request by sending you the enclosed Memorandum of the proceeds of your deposite of gold dust made on the 19th inst. The amount will be paid to your order endorsed on the Mint receipt.

RMP

Albert Speyer, Esq

Saturday Morning Sept 22 1849

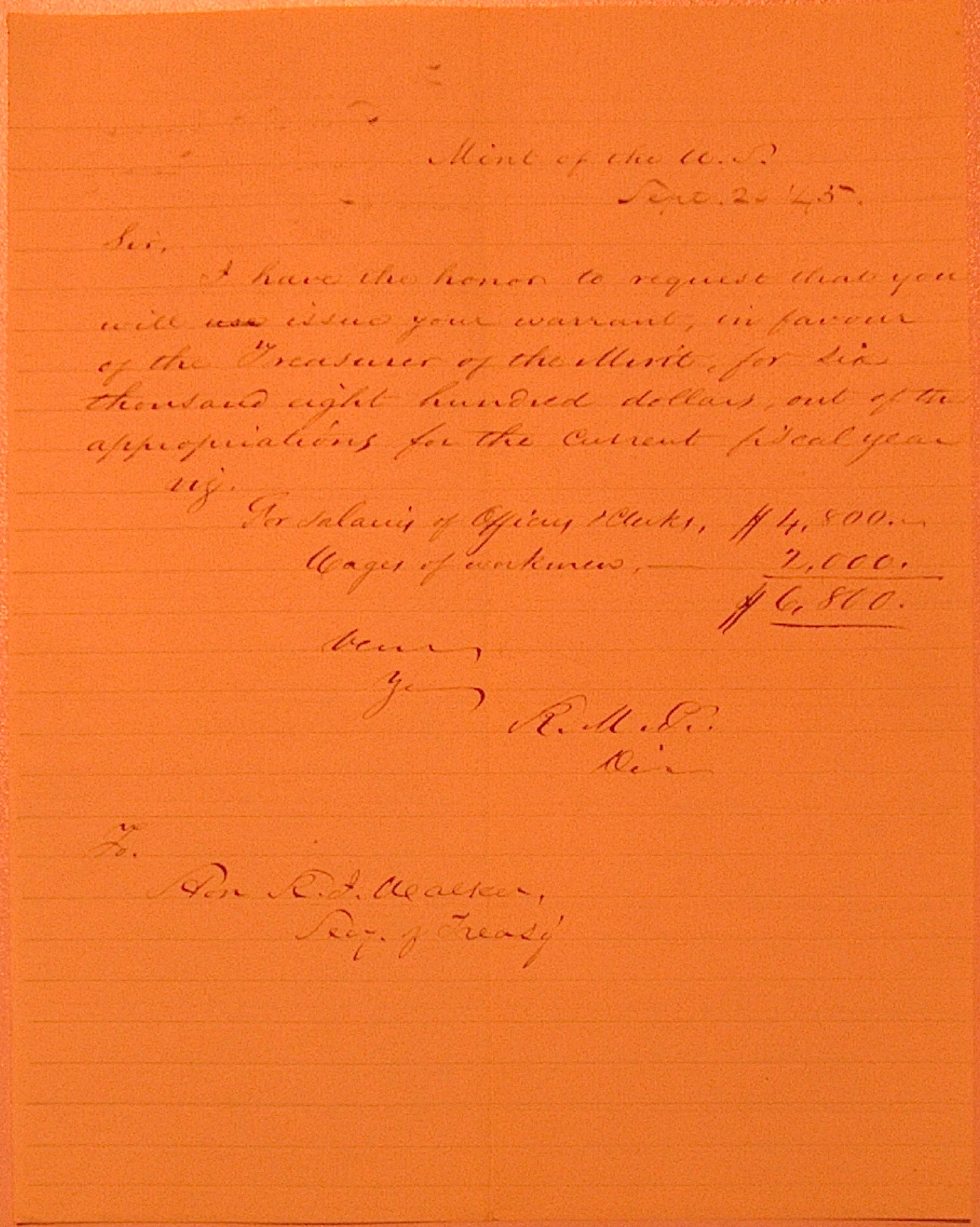
Doctor Patterson

Dear Sir,

I send You another Die, whatever its faults may be, they are attributable only to the anoyance I have had from my other business while at it. I am perfectly satisfied that I could cut infinitely better, under circumstances where time and other business would not harrass me. I will call to see you to morrow about ½ past 10 O,clock.

Yours Very Respt^ly

Allen Leonard.



Mint of the U. S.
Sept. 2. '45.

Sir,

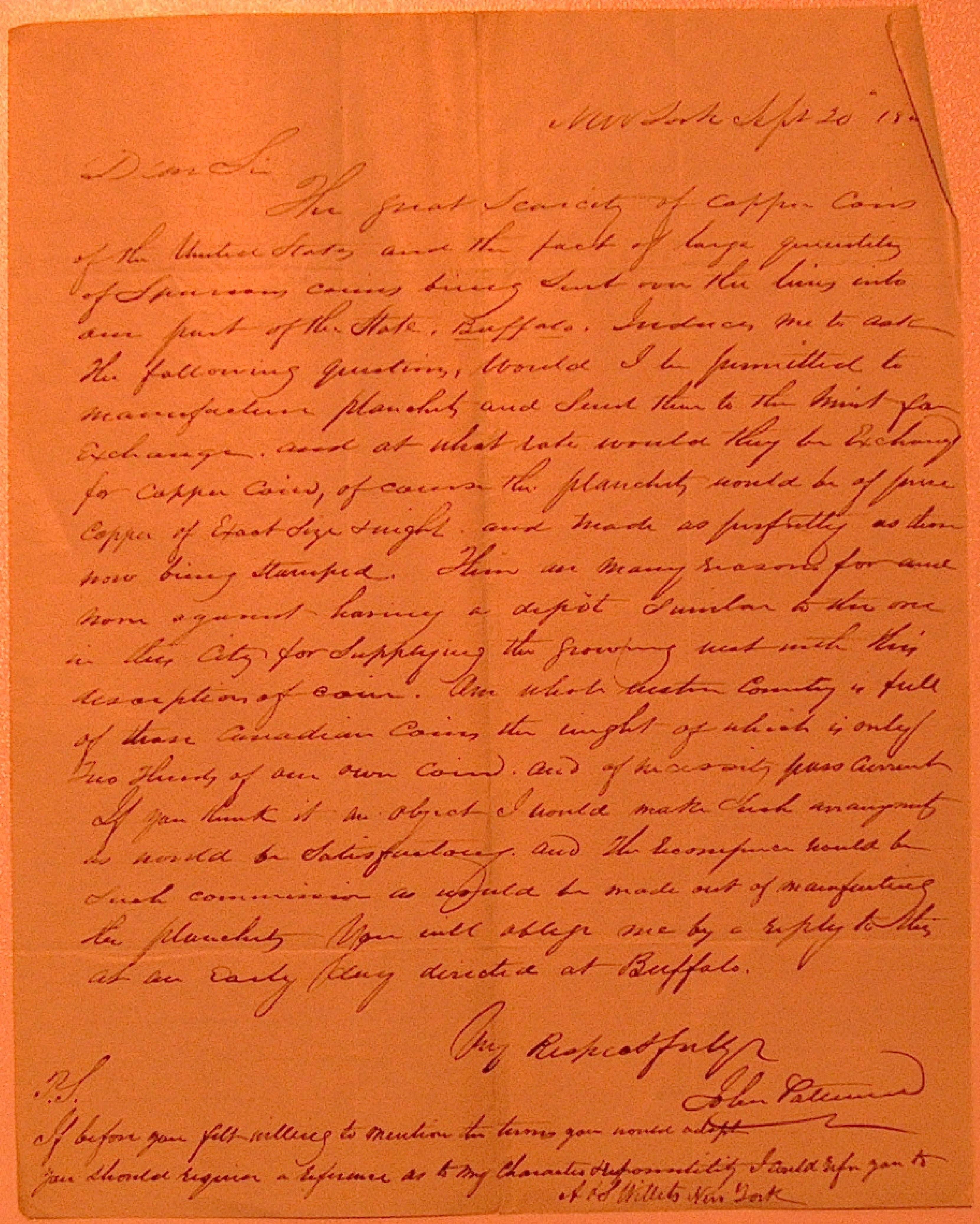
I have the honor to request that you will ~~use~~ issue your warrant, in favour of the Treasurer of the Mint, for six thousand eight hundred dollars, out of the appropriations for the current fiscal year, viz.

| | |
|---|---|
| For Salaries of Officers & Clerks, | $4,800. |
| Wages of workmen, | 2,000. |
| | $6,800. |

Very
Yr

R. M. P.
Dir.

To.
Hon. R. J. Walker,
Secy. of Treasy.



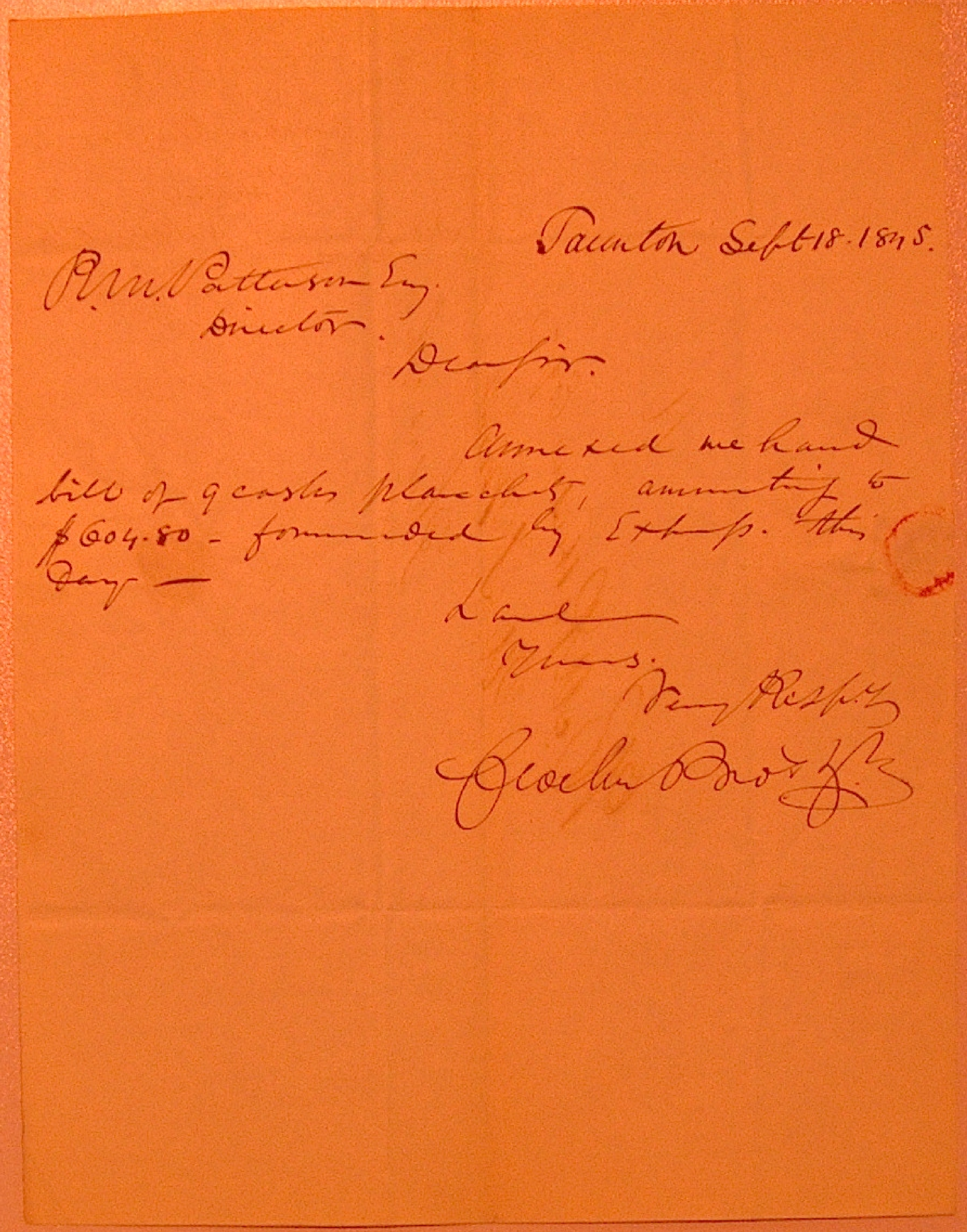
New York Sept 20 18

Dear Sir

The great Scarcity of Copper Coins of the United States and the fact of large quantity of Spurious coins being sent over the lines into our part of the State, Buffalo. Induces me to ask the following questions, Would I be permitted to manufacture planchets and send them to the Mint for exchange. and at what rate would they be Exchanged for Copper Coins, of course the planchets would be of pure Copper of Exact Size & weight. and made as perfectly as those now being stamped. There are many reasons for and none against having a depôt similar to the one in this City for supplying the growing west with this description of coin. Our whole western Country is full of these Canadian Coins the weight of which is only Two Thirds of our own Coins. and of necessity pass current. If you think it an object I would make such arrangements as would be satisfactory. and the recompense would be such commission as would be made out of manufacturing the planchets. You will oblige me by a reply to this at an early day directed at Buffalo.

Very Respectfully
John Patterson

P.S.
If before you felt willing to mention the terms you would adopt you should require a reference as to my Character & responsibility I would refer you to
A & S Willets New York



Taunton Sept 18. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director.

Dear Sir.

Annexed we hand bill of 9 casks planchets, amounting to $604.80 — forwarded by Express this day —

Dear Sir
Yours.
Very Respy
Crocker Bros & Co

Original sent by Livingston's Express Agency

Mint U.S.
Sept. 18 / 45.

Dear Sir,

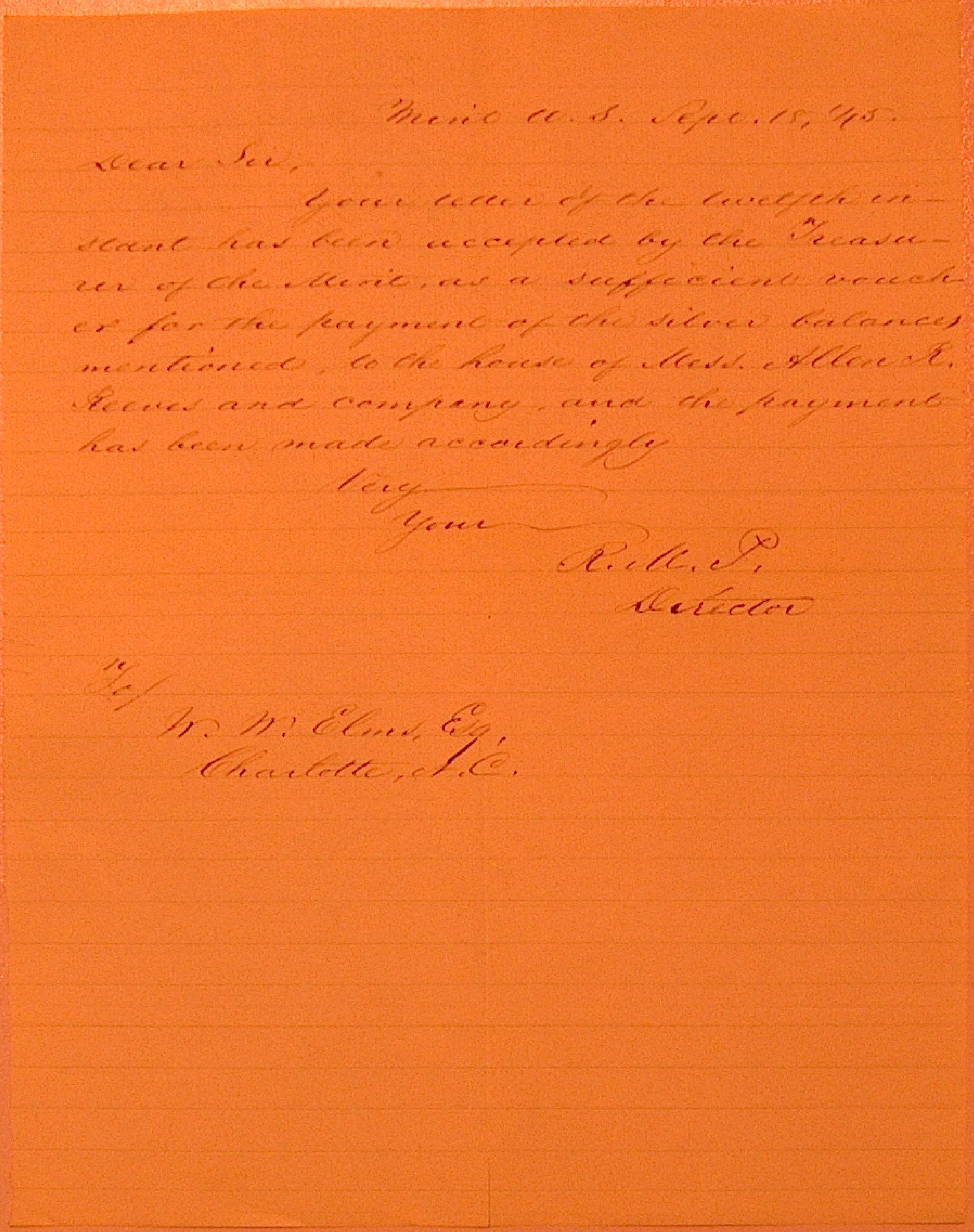
The proceeds of your deposites made on the 16th, are sent by the express line as you desired.

Our Assayers consented to receive your deposite of silver, though it was of an amount below our ~~our~~ regulation limit of one hundred dollars worth. You will please to keep this limit in mind ~~for~~ in any future case.

R. M. P.
D.

To/
Geo. Dominguez, Esq.
New York.

P.S. Allow me to mention that the clerical title of Revd which you have given to me in your letter of the 15th, does me honour overmuch. Mine is a profane not a sacred office.



Mint U.S. Sept. 18, '45.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the twelfth instant has been accepted by the Treasurer of the Mint, as a sufficient voucher for the payment of the silver balances mentioned, to the house of Mess. Allen R. Reeves and company, and the payment has been made accordingly.

Very

Your

R. M. P.

Director

To/

W. W. Elms, Esq.

Charlotte, N.C.

Invoice to R. M. Patterson Esq Director of the Mint

Sep 16th 1845

Silver

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 108 | in Spanish 8ths 16ths 10 & 20 to the Dollar value | 100 — |
| 491 | Smooth quarters Pistareens &c valued | 390 — |
| 212 | Cob & smooth Dollars | 200 — |
| 78 | in broad halves, double Pistareens cut halves &c &c | 70 — |
| | | $760 |

Gold

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 84 1/2 | Sovs | 4.84 | 408.98 | |
| 9 1/2 | forty frank pieces | 7.70 | 73.15 | |
| 4 1/2 | X Thalers | 7.85 | 35.32 | |
| 2 | Carolina pieces | | 14.40 | |
| 1 | X Guilder piece | | 4.00 | 535.85 |

twelve hundred & Ninety five dollars Eighty five cents $1295.85

Cincinnati Sep 16th 1845
Tuesday Evening

R. M. Patterson Esq Director
Dear Sir

Annexed you have statement of inclosures in a bag, which will be handed to you in about ten days from this date by Parshall Beebee Jr of Phila, you will please assay & receive the same & pay over the proceeds to Chauncey Whelen— Phila for my credit. You will please inform me the average product of Spanish 8ths 16ths, Quarters Spanish, Cob & smooth Hammered Dollars &c &c, also the average product of Sovereigns, forty frank

over

pieces, ten thaler pieces; also Silver Thalers and any information on the subject of coins will confer a favor on your obt Servt

James Gilmore

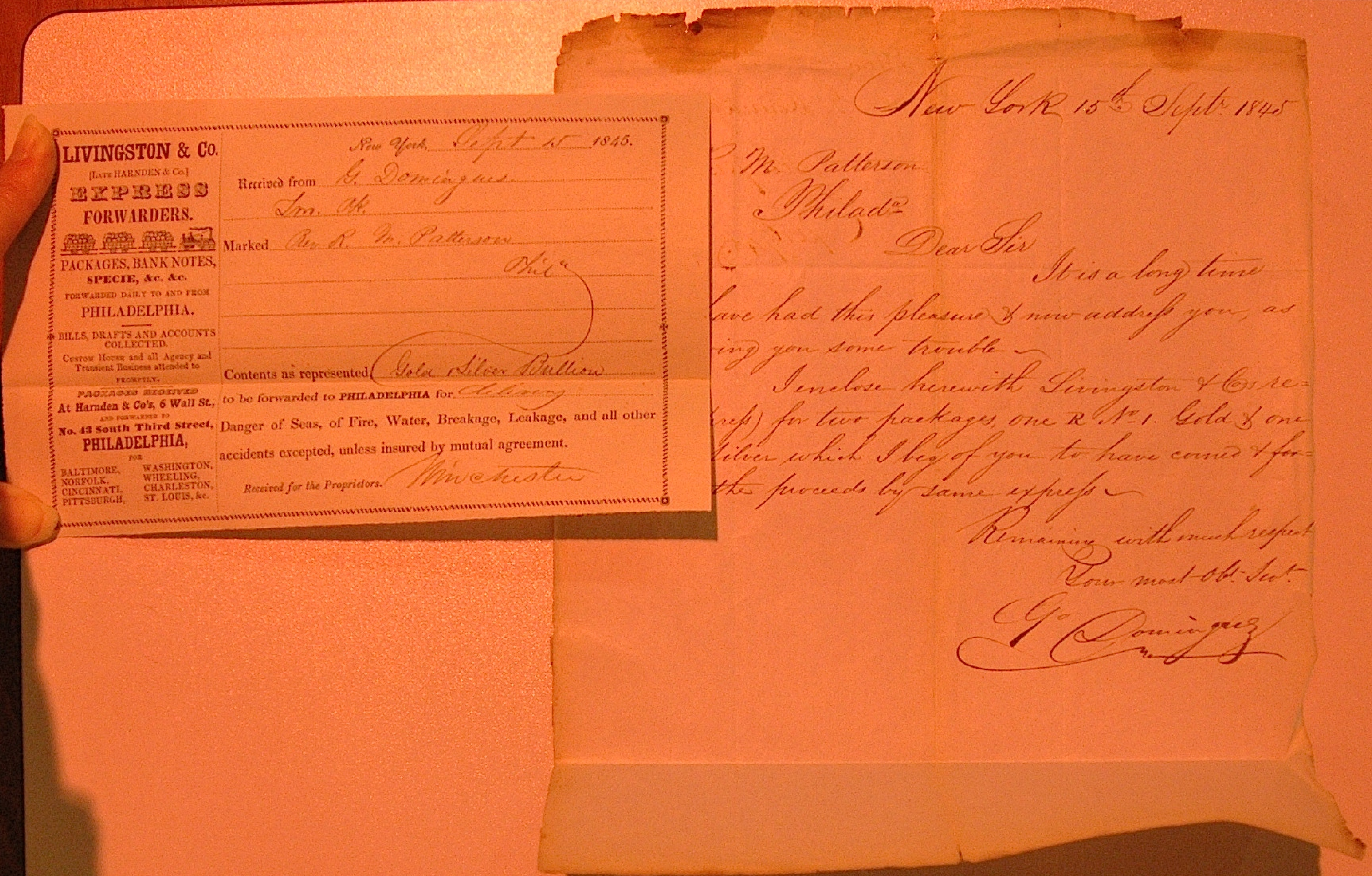
P. S. I wrote you last by the mail of 7th inst requesting a keg of cents.

Yours

James Gilmore

Exchange Broker
41 Main St
Cincinnati
Ohio

The book can perhaps be had of Derby & Burr, booksellers in Cincinnati — or if it is merely needed for the present reference, it may be seen at some of the Banks in that city



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New York, Sept 15 1845.

Received from G. Domingues
Lm. Ak.

Marked Rev. R. M. Patterson
Phil^a

Contents as represented Gold Silver Bullion

to be forwarded to **PHILADELPHIA** for Delivery

Danger of Seas, of Fire, Water, Breakage, Leakage, and all other accidents excepted, unless insured by mutual agreement.

*Received for the Proprietors.* Wm Chester

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New York 15th Sept^r 1845

M. Patterson
Philad^a

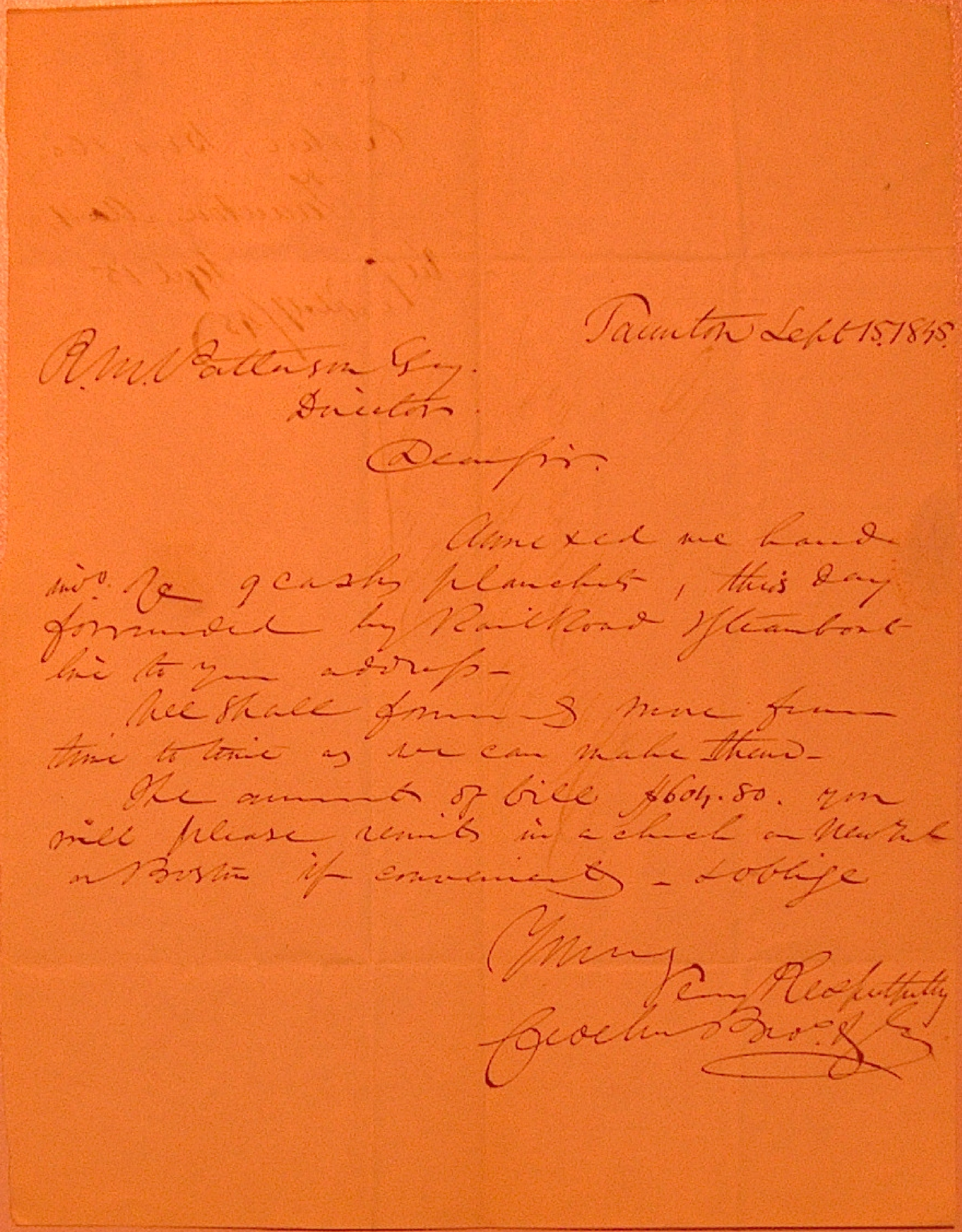
Dear Sir

It is a long time
ave had this pleasure & now address you, as
ing you some trouble ~

I enclose herewith Livingston & Co's re-
ress) for two packages, one R. N^o 1. Gold & one
ilver which I beg of you to have coined & for-
the proceeds by same express ~

Remaining with much respect
Your most ob^t Ser^t

G^o Dominguez



Taunton Sept 15. 1845

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director.

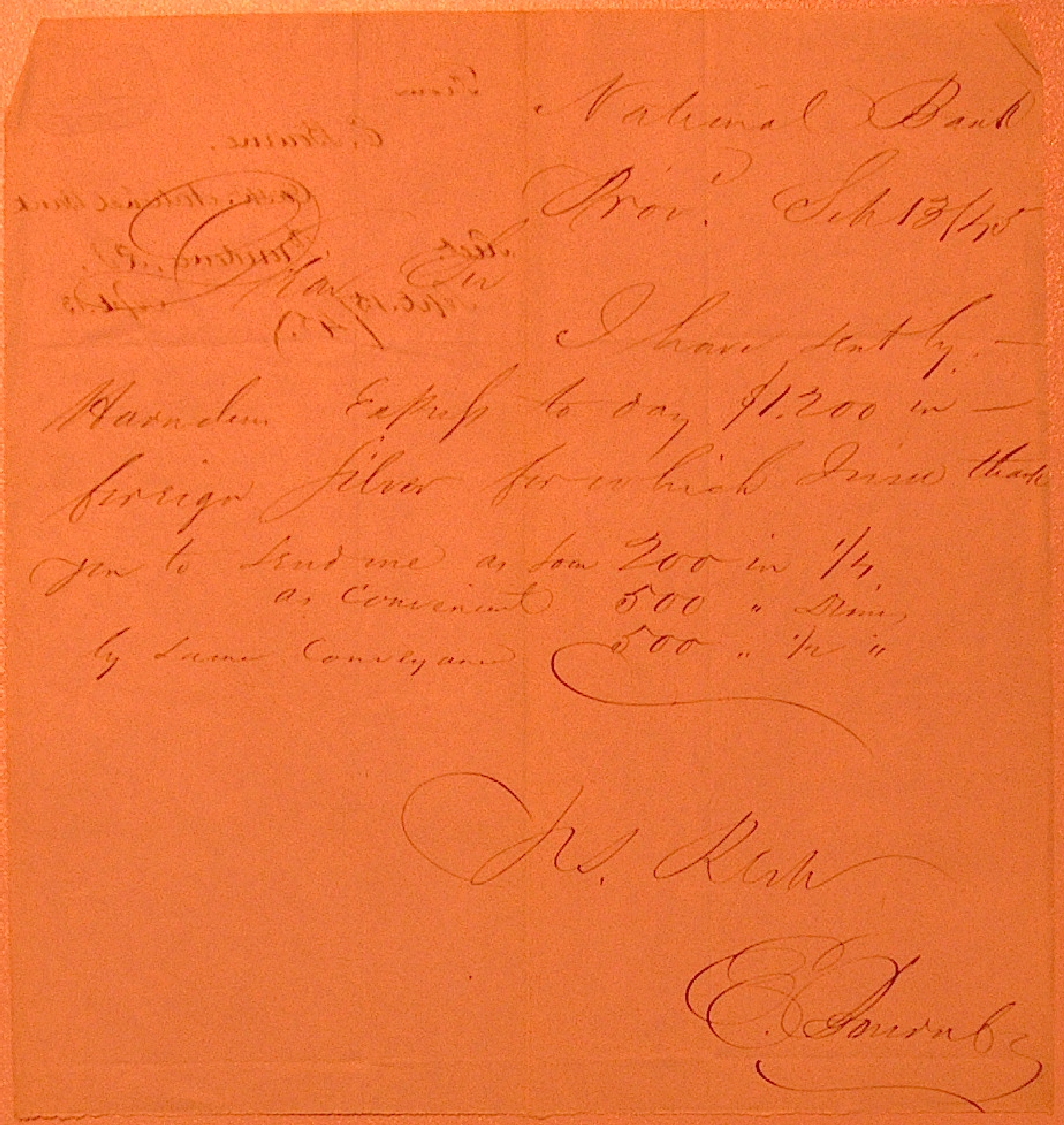
Dear Sir.

Annexed we hand invo. for 9 casks planchets, this day forwarded by Railroad & Steamboat line to your address—

We shall forward more from time to time as we can make them—

The amount of bill $604.80. You will please remit in a check on New York or Boston if convenient—& oblige

Yours
Very Respectfully
Crocker Bros & Co

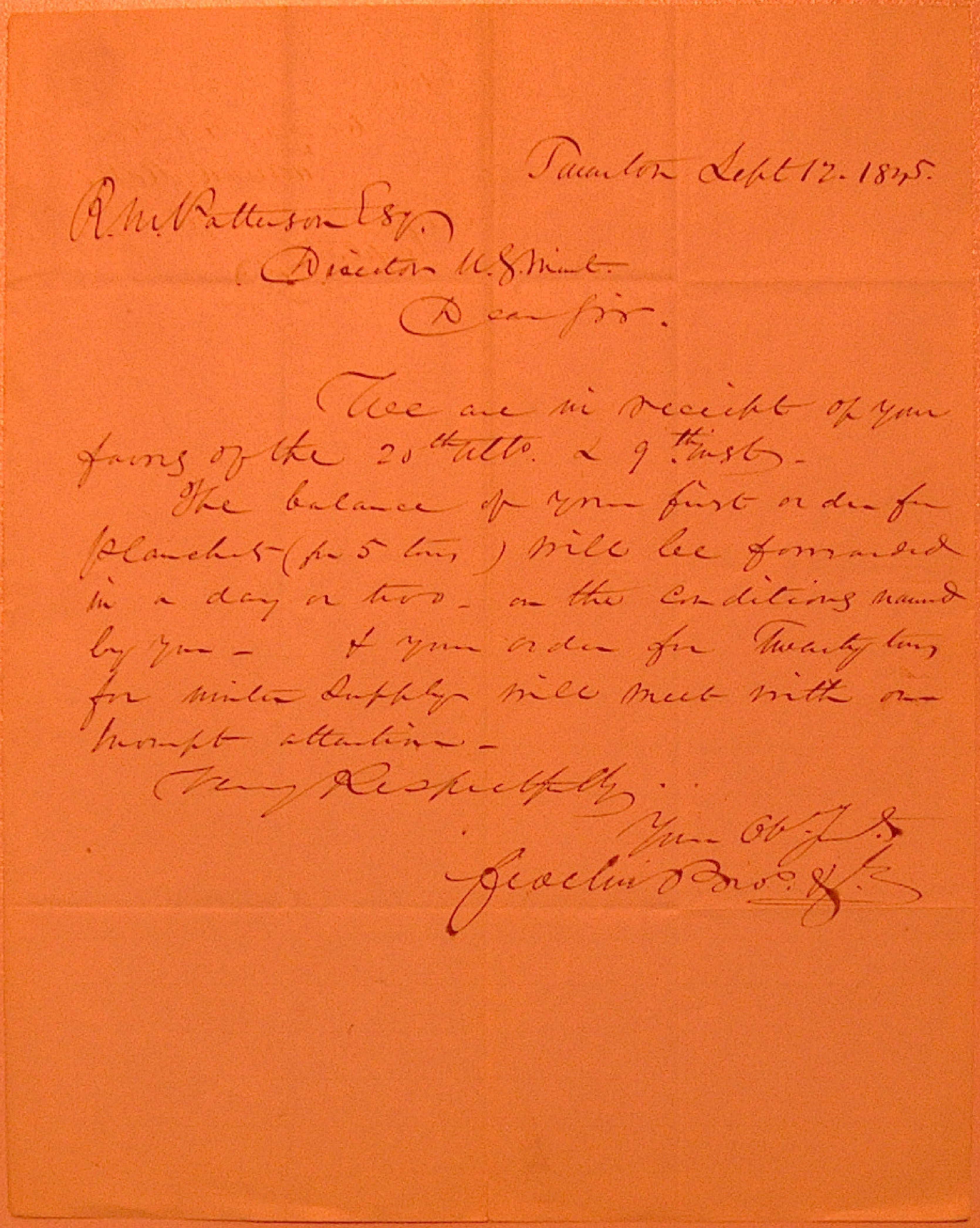


National Bank
Prov. Feb 13/45

I have sent by Harnden Express to day $1.200 in foreign silver for which I will thank you to send me as soon as convenient by same conveyance

200 in 1/4
500 " Dimes
500 " 1/2 "

J. S. Rich



Taunton Sept 12. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U. S. Mint.
Dear Sir.

We are in receipt of your favors of the 20th ulto. & 9th inst.

The balance of your first order for planchets (for 5 tons) will be forwarded in a day or two — on the conditions named by you — & your order for Twenty tons for winter supply will meet with our prompt attention —

Very Respectfully.
Your Ob. St.
Crocker Bro. & Co.

Philadelphia,
Sept. 12, 1845

My dear Sir,

I have just received your letter of the 9th.

I am anxious to have a complete set of weights and measures deposited at the Mint, because I think it an appropriate and a safe place for their preservation. In my letter to the Secretary, I mentioned that they might, on occasion, be made useful in adjusting copies of the standards. This suggestion, however, was urged before I received your letter on the subject, and, I may add, without proper reflection on the matter. On the day when your letter came into my hands, I wrote a report to the Secretary of the Commonwealth which was accepted by the Institute Committee; and in this report we recommend that advantage should, by all means, be taken of your proposition to have the adjustments made in Washington, even if an exact compliance with the Act of the Legislature should require a final comparison with the Standards at Hamburg; which, by the by, would be hard to form. I am convinced that it is only at your establishment ~~at least~~ that satisfactory final adjustments could be made; but a series of Standards here would be very useful, and indeed necessary, for the approximate adjustments ~~by~~ of the Manufacturer.

You are aware, no doubt, that Col. Everest, late Superintendent of Grand Trigonometrical Survey of India, is now on a visit to this country. He came over with young Dr. Kane, in the Great Britain, and has letters from him to you. I do not know when or where you may meet. He has ~~complete~~ prepared a work giving a full account of his instruments and operations, of which a copy, nearly complete though unbound, was ~~given~~ placed in the keeping of Dr. Kane, and is now in my hands. I wish it was in your hands. Among other things that would interest you is a minute description, with fine plates, of the Compensation Bar apparatus used in measuring base lines. If you ~~have~~ are not acquainted with this apparatus, and desire to ~~become~~ see the description, hasten your return to Philadelphia, or ~~let him know~~ your wishes, ~~and~~ I will use my influence with Dr. Kane to allow the whole work to be sent to you. In this case, let me know ~~to whom~~ ~~let me know~~ how it is to be conveyed.

The Mint will bid the fifth most welcome on his return; especially with the lady whom I cannot count by so low a fraction as the half of a fifth, even if it be the better half.

Sincerely your friend,
R. M. Patterson.

A. D. Bache, Esq.

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Mint of the U.S.
Sept. 11 / 45.

Gentlemen,

If you have not already sent on the balance of my order for five tons of copper planchets, mentioned in my letter of the 9th, I must beg that you will forward them by land, to save time, as ~~[illegible]~~ our supply is now exhausted, and we have orders waiting. The balance in question is, I believe, one ton & a half; if you have more ready, you can send any amount not exceeding 4 tons, ~~[illegible]~~ to be paid for in cash.

R. M. P.
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To
Mess. Crocker, Bro, &Co.

Mint of the United States
Sept. 10, 1845

Sir,

In compliance with the instructions of Mr. W. I. Grant, Cashier of the Bank of Camden S. C., I send you the enclosed receipt and memorandum, of a deposit of gold, made in your name, on the 8th inst.

&c
&c

R. M. P.
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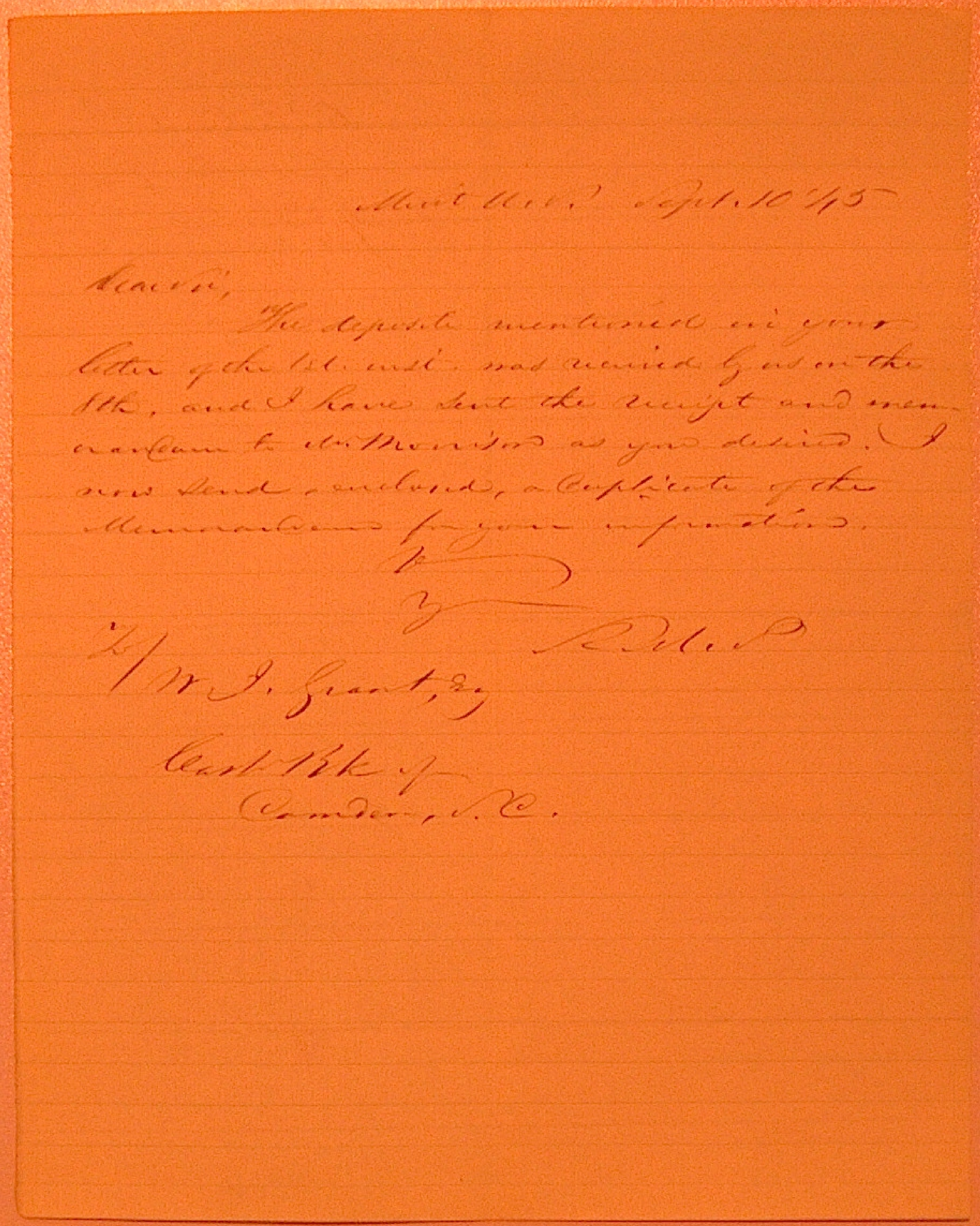
To
J. M. Morrison, Esq.
Cash'r Manhattan Co.
New York

Mr. Thomas Arnold, 33 Pine St., applies for a place in the Mint, should one be vacant by the death of Henry Summers.

Is an instrument maker. Learnt his trade of Stancliffe, and has worked with Young. Made models of Steam engines, in the department of the Engineer in Chief, at Washington, where he worked for 18 mos.

Is recommended by Judge King.

Sept. 10/45.



Mint U.S. Sept. 10 '45

Dear Sir,

The deposite mentioned in your letter of the 1st inst. was received by us on the 8th, and I have sent the receipt and memorandum to Mr. Morrison as you desired. I now send, enclosed, a Duplicate of the Memorandum for your information.

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R. H. S.

To/ W. J. Grant, Esq

Cash. Bk. of
Camden, S.C.

Mint U. S. Sept. 9 '45.

Gentlemen,

In my letter of the 20th ult°. I requested that the balance of the 5 tons of Copper planchets ordered on the 12th, should be charged for cash payment. I have now to beg that they may be forwarded as soon as possible.

I have to request that you will prepare for us 20 tons of cent planchets for our winter supply,— to be paid for in Copper coins as heretofore. They may be sent on as soon as you please, but no payment can be made until after the commencement of the next quarter.

very resp—

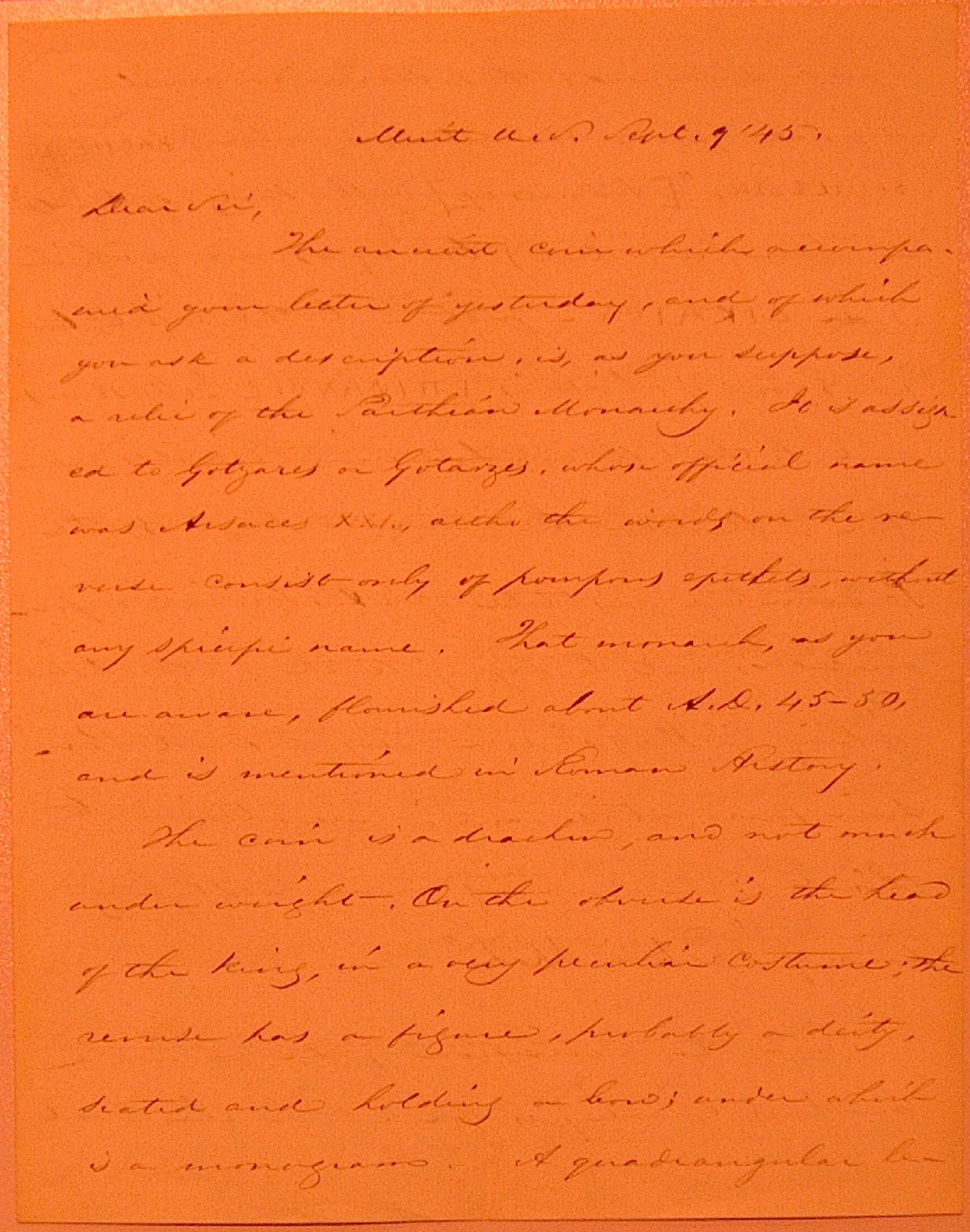
y—

R. M. P.

Dr—

To/ Mess. Crocker Bros & Co

Taunton, Mass.



Mint U.S. Sept. 9 '45.

Dear Sir,

The ancient coin which accompanied your letter of yesterday, and of which you ask a description, is, as you suppose, a relic of the Parthian Monarchy. It is assigned to Gotzares or Gotarzes, whose official name was Arsaces XXI, altho the words on the reverse consist only of pompous epithets, without any specific name. That monarch, as you are aware, flourished about A.D. 45-50, and is mentioned in Roman History.

The coin is a drachm, and not much under weight. On the obverse is the head of the king, in a very peculiar costume; the reverse has a figure, probably a deity, seated and holding a bow; under which is a monogram. A quadrangular begend surrounds this device, in an ill defined Greek character, viz. above BACILEΩC BACILEΩN, "[the money] of the King of Kings" — below (inverted) two words, one of which is ~~di~~ ΔIKAIOY — "just" — to the right, two words, one of which is ΕΠΙΦΑΝΟΥC — "illustrious" and to the left another unintelligible epithet. Unlike the Roman legends, the Persian are destitute of historical information, not to say of truth. The title of "King of Kings" is a very ancient Persian prerogative, and is maintained to this day; the reigning monarch styling himself "Shahin Shah"

Since the accession of the valuable nucleus of antiques for which the Mint is indebted to the representative of the Grant and to yourself we have received very considerable and choice additions, from Vienna, Constantinople, and the East India House at London. They now constitute a suite, well nigh complete for our taste and purposes, of Roman, Greek, Greek-Egyptian, Greek-Asiatic, Sassanian, Bactrian, and Mediaeval Indian moneys. Many of them are of high rarity, and a considerable number are in gold. At your promised visit, which we anticipate with pleasure, you will find them for the most part arranged. — I should add that we have two specimens in our cabinet of the coin sent by you, which is herewith returned.

Resp'ly &c

Robt P.

Dr. J. Torrey,
Princeton N.J.

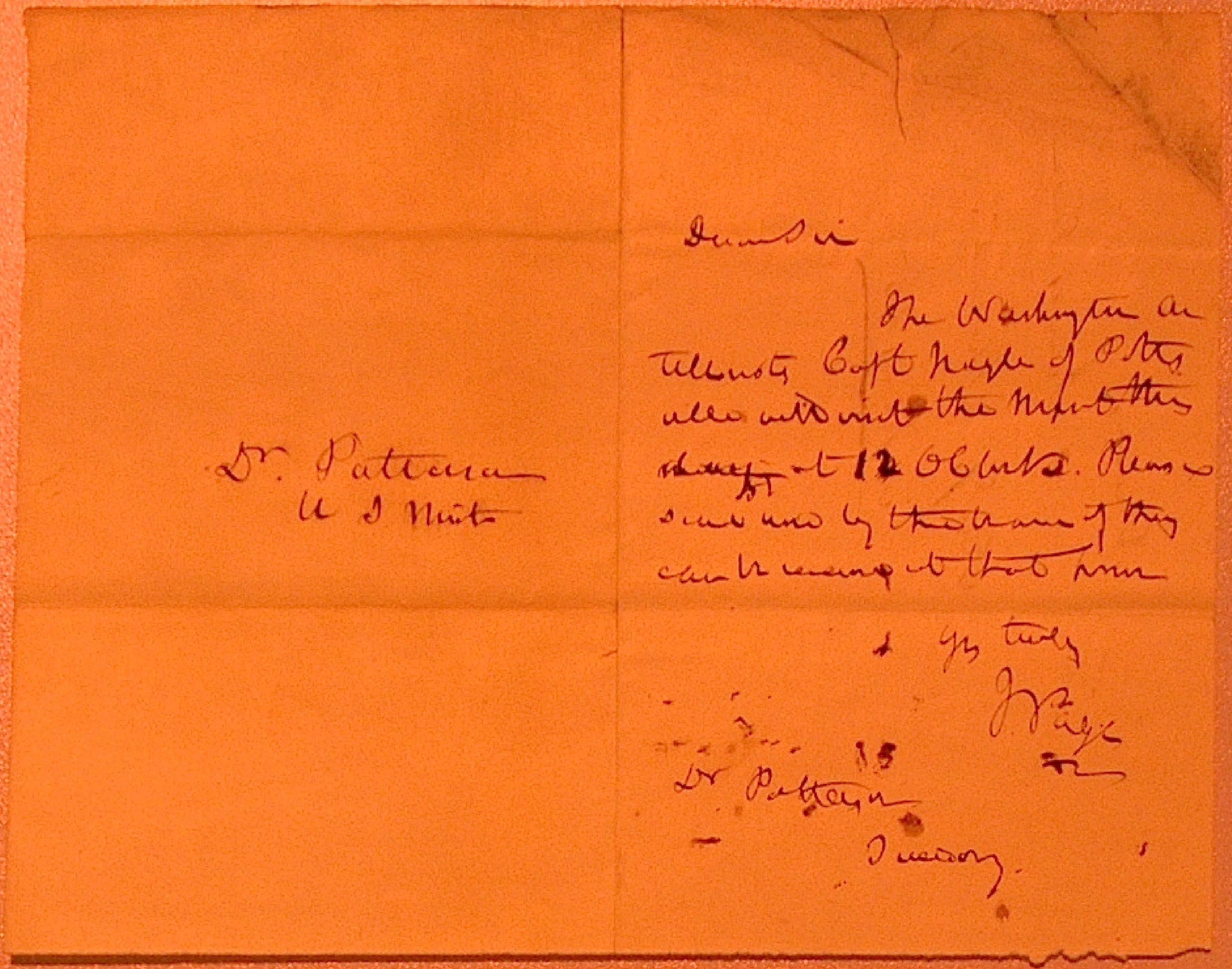
[illegible] near [illegible]
Sept 9. 184[illegible]

Dear Doct.

Your letter relating to Standard weights & measures has been sent to me by the Treasury Dept, and as it will be extremely impracticable to furnish you with the Standards required in time to make the adjustment of Standards for New Jersey &c. I have requested authority to do this in the Office of weights & measures in [illegible]. The expense should be borne by the State & the manufacturers &c. I hope you will satisfy those that it is their best policy to use the opportunity thus afforded. The freight by water to Washington, & the time consumed will be but trifling, and the adjustment with the necessary accuracy for these purposes will be easily made. It would then [illegible] one establishment with Congress to stop the distribution of Standards to the States in order to give Penn & N.J. already favored by receiving their Standards in advance of other States, & N.J. by [illegible] receiving the balances required first, & having standards at Custom houses, to add to their advantages. I thought we understood each other about the county Standards & that you intended to advise their adjustment at the office at Washington.

Commend me to the fair. We have suffered by fever & flux this summer, but hope to survive the equinoctial & to see you in October. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours truly A. D. Bache



Dr. Patterson
U S Mint

Dear Sir

The Washington artillerists Capt Naylor of Ptts will visit the Mint this morning at 12 O'Clock. Please send word by the bearer if they can be received at that hour

Yrs truly
J. Page

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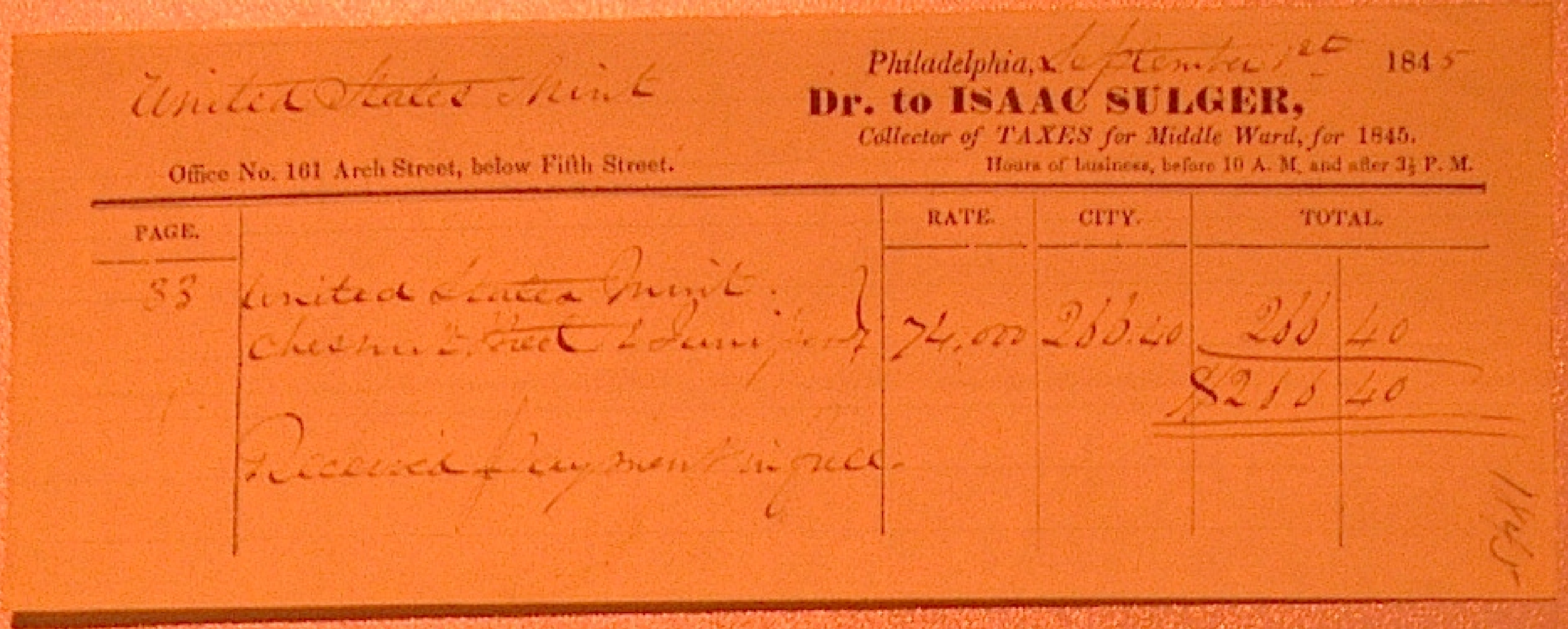
Dr Patterson
Treasury.



United States Mint
Philadelphia, September 1st 1845

**Dr. to ISAAC SULGER,**
*Collector of TAXES for Middle Ward, for 1845.*

Office No. 161 Arch Street, below Fifth Street.
Hours of business, before 10 A. M. and after 3½ P. M.

| PAGE. | | RATE. | CITY. | TOTAL. | |
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| 83 | United States Mint.<br>Chesnut Street & Juniper | 74,000 | 288.40 | 288 | 40 |
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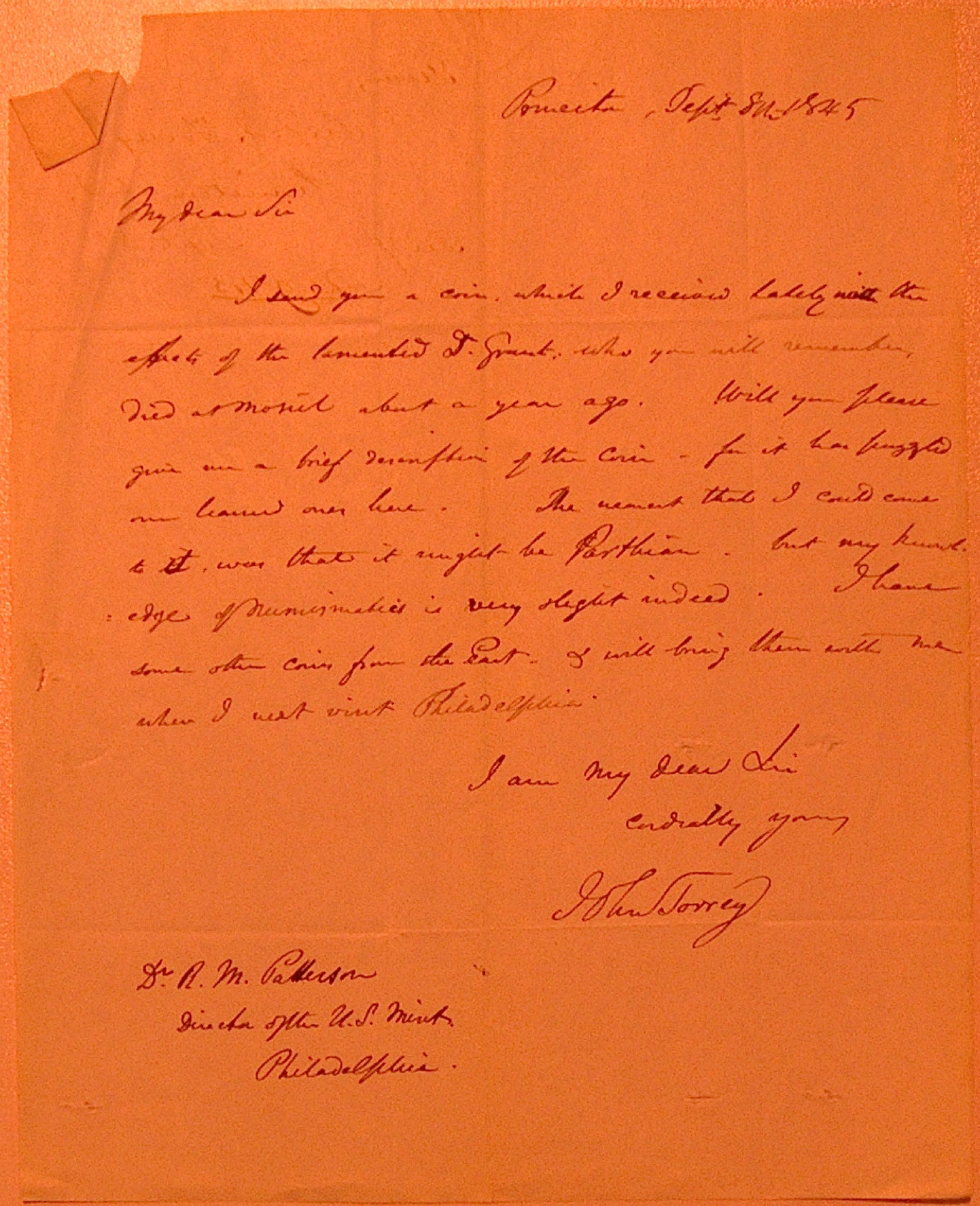


Princeton, Sept. 8th 1845

My dear Sir

I send you a coin, which I received lately with the effects of the lamented Dr. Grant, who you will remember, died at Mosul about a year ago. Will you please give me a brief description of the coin - for it has puzzled our learned ones here. The nearest that I could come to it, was that it might be Parthian - but my knowledge of numismatics is very slight indeed. I have some other coins from the East - & will bring them with me when I next visit Philadelphia.

I am my dear Sir
cordially yours

John Torrey

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the U.S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Treasury Department
Sept. 4. 1848.

Sir

The Treasurer of the U. States has, this day, been instructed to issue a transfer draft on the Assistant Treasurer at N. York in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint for $500.000 payable in foreign Gold Coin.

The amount to be transferred, as heretofore, under your direction, for recoinage and to be placed to the credit of the Treasurer of the U. States on the bullion account.

I am very Respy.

McC. Young
Act. Sec. of the Treas.

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Philad.

Cincinnati 6th Sep/45
Saturday evening

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director

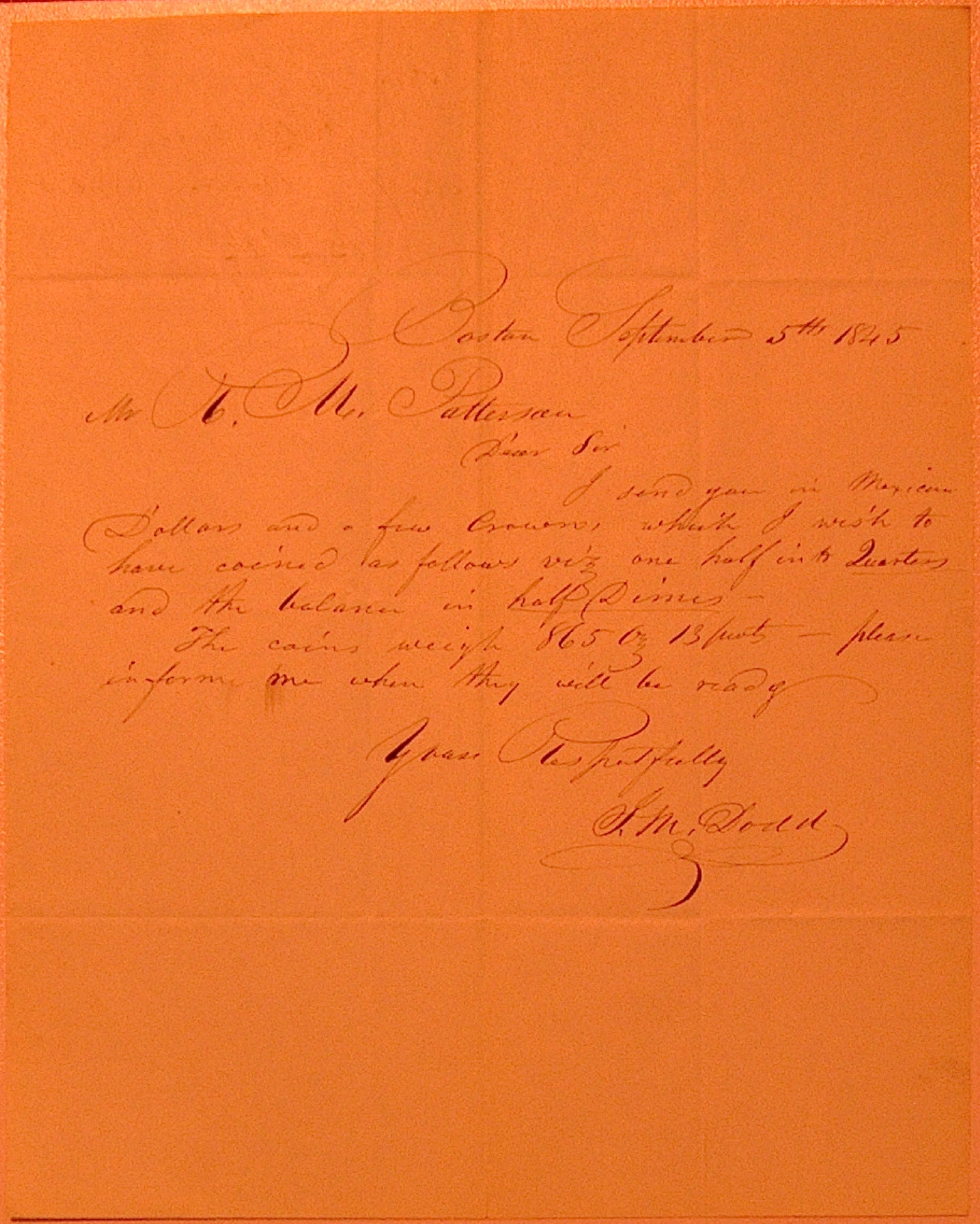
Dear Sir

Annexed you have my chk on N. York for $100.00 for which please return me a keg of cents say ten thousand — cents. Have recd one Keg in good order.

I am very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
James Gilmore

P.S. Would you take a Cff of deposit in one of our Cincinnati Banks for cents at par;

Phila



Boston September 5th 1845

Mr R. M. Patterson

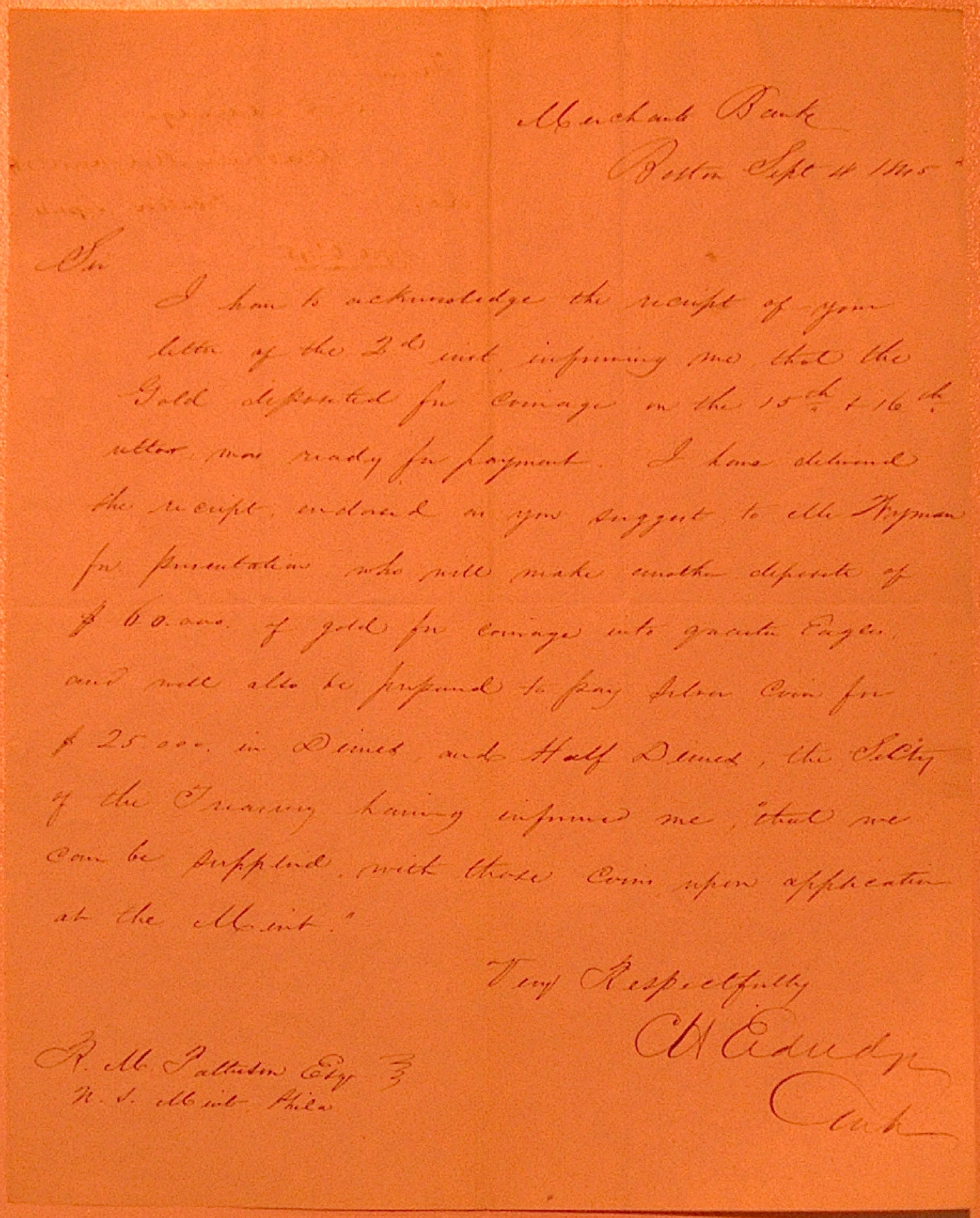
Dear Sir

I send you in Mexican Dollars and a few Crowns, which I wish to have coined as follows viz one half into Quarters and the balance in half Dimes—

The coins weigh 865 Oz 13 pwts — please inform me when they will be ready

Yours Respectfully

S. M. Dodd



Merchants Bank

Boston Sept 4 1845

Sir

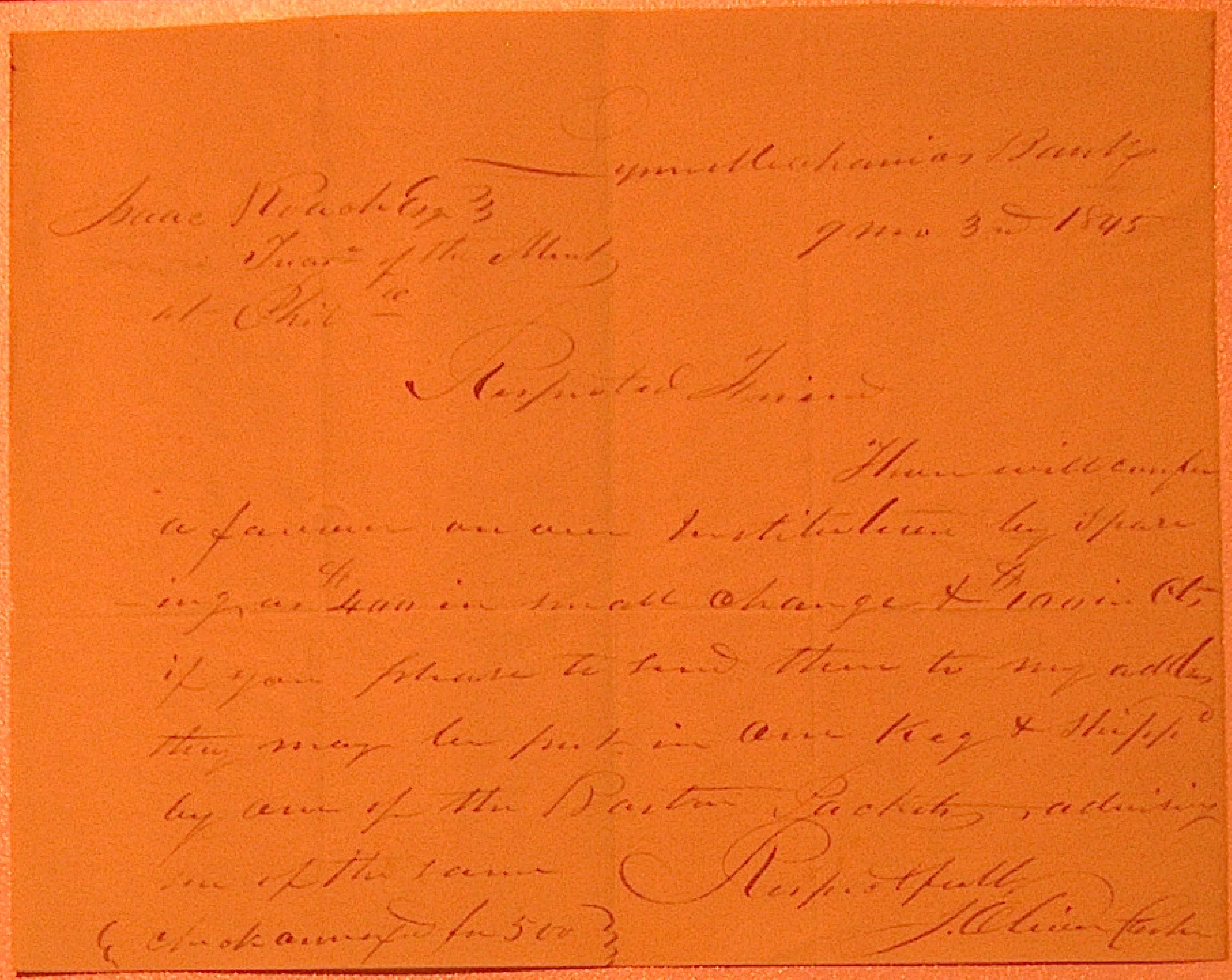
I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2d inst. informing me that the Gold deposited for Coinage on the 15th & 16th ultmo was ready for payment. I have delivered the receipt, enclosed as you suggest to Mr Hayman for presentation who will make another deposit of $60.000 of gold for coinage into quarter Eagles, and will also be prepared to pay Silver Coin for $25.000 in Dimes and Half Dimes, the Secty of the Treasury having informed me, "that we can be supplied with those Coin upon application at the Mint."

Very Respectfully

C H Eldredge

Cash

R. M. Patterson Esq
U. S. Mint Phila



Lynn Mechanics Bank
9 mo 3rd 1845

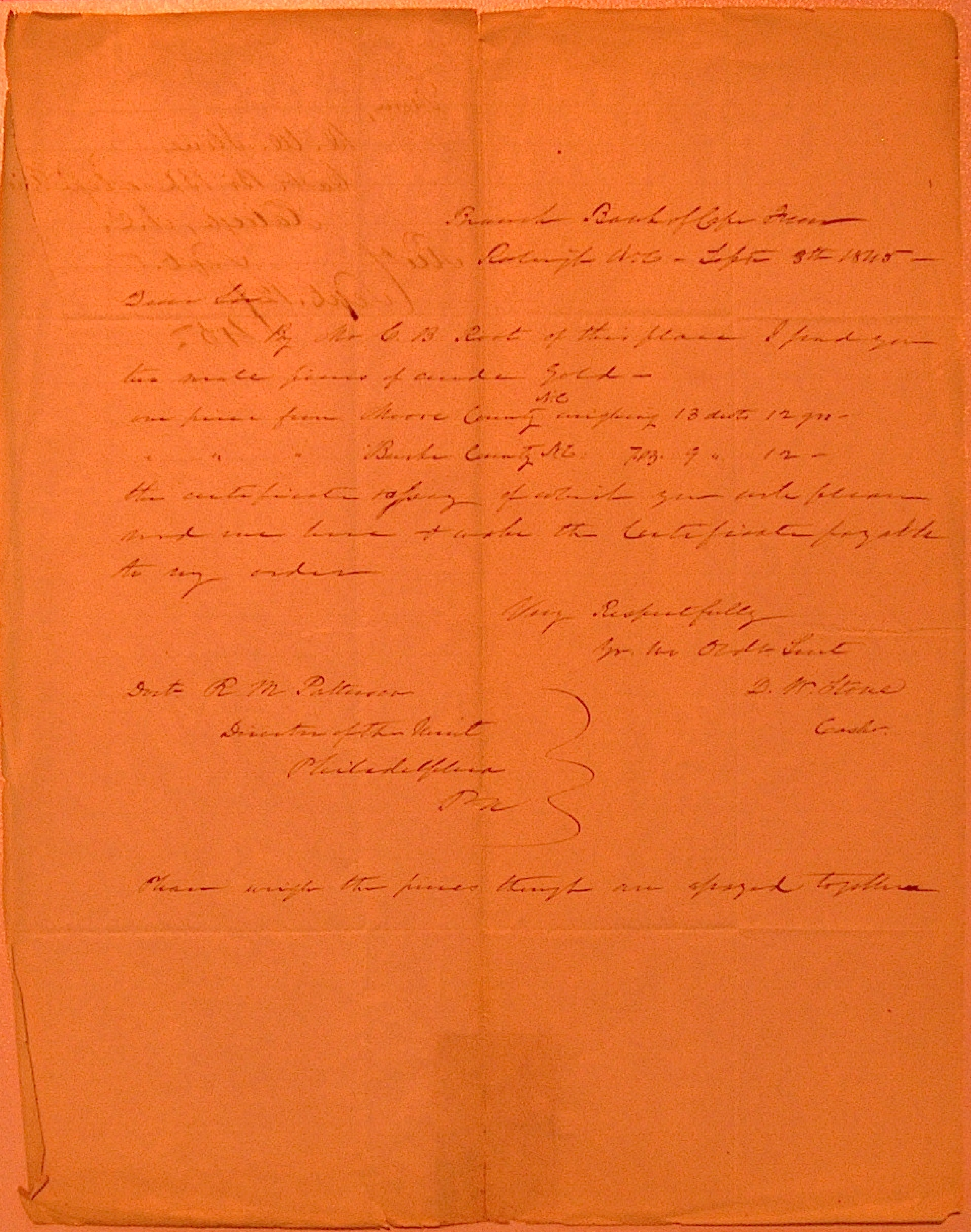
Isaac R. Roach Esq
Treasr of the Mint
at Phila

Respected Friend

Thou wilt confer a favour on our institution by sparing us $400 in small change & $100 in Cts if you please to send them to my address they may be put in one keg & shippd by one of the Boston Packets, advising me of the same

Respectfully
J. Oliver Cashr

{Check annexed for 500}



Branch Bank of Cape Fear
Raleigh N.C. – Septr 8th 1845 –

Dear Sir

By Mr C. B. Root of this place I send you two small pieces of crude Gold –
one piece from Moore County N.C. weighing 13 dwts 12 grs –
" " " Burke County N.C. 7dts. 9 " 12 –
the certificate & assay of which you will please send me here & make the Certificate payable to my order

Very Respectfully
Yr Mo Obdt Servt
D. W. Stone
Cashr

Doctr R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

Please weigh the pieces though are wrapped together

Mint of the United States,
Sept. 2d, 1845.

Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ult.

The question of the means of ~~putting~~ distributing the small silver coins which you have provisionally caused to be prepared for circulation has frequently ~~occupied~~ my thoughts.

The only regular and ordinary method of obtaining coins from the Mint is by the deposite of an equivalent in bullion of the same kinds (gold or silver), or foreign coins being always ~~received~~ by us as bullion. This method, however, might ~~is~~ not be sufficient, ~~I am aware,~~ for ~~the pur-pose of~~ ~~current~~ placing our present supply of small coins in circulation, within ~~a reason able time~~ the time that you have probably had in contemplation.

I have, in one instance, permitted the exchange of a few thousand dollars of dimes & half dimes for new half dollars; and it might perhaps not be ~~deemed~~ an objectionable measure to ~~make~~ allow such exchanges for either gold or silver U. S. coins, of dates not earlier than 1837, (when the standards were changed,) and ~~[illegible]~~ not reduced or defaced by wear: the amount, however, never to be less than $100.

But perhaps of all the means proposed that suggested by Mr. Dunlap is the most eligible, namely to ~~give~~ to Deposite Banks in those places where small coins are needed, drafts on the Mint payable in such coins, ~~but~~ for I must beg, however, that they be made payable at the Mint, for we have not the means of transferring our funds ~~as is supposed~~

~~All~~ I think there can be no doubt that the Valley of the Mississippi is already abundantly supplied with dimes & half dimes. In Philadelphia they are plenty, and I am assured that there is also the case in New York. It is probably ~~in the Eastern States that they are most~~ needed ~~[illegible]~~

We have, now, in ~~our~~ the Treasury vaults $162,470 in dimes, and $75,992 in half ~~dimes~~, or 1,624,700 pieces of the former and 1,519,800 of the latter.

R.M.P.

Hon. R. J. Walker,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Mint U.S.
Sept. 2/45.

Dear Sir,

I send inclosed a memorandum of the deposite of silver made in your name on the 29th ult. The amount in dimes, (as you desired it,) is ready for payment to your order endorsed on the Mint receipt.

R. M. P.

To/
J. M. Dodd, Esq
Boston.

Mint U.S.
Sept. 2/45.

Sir,

I have to inform you that the amount of your deposites of gold for coinage, made on the 15th and 16th ulto., and of which I sent you a memorandum on the 19th, is now ready for payment to your order, endorsed on the Mint receipts.

R. M. P.
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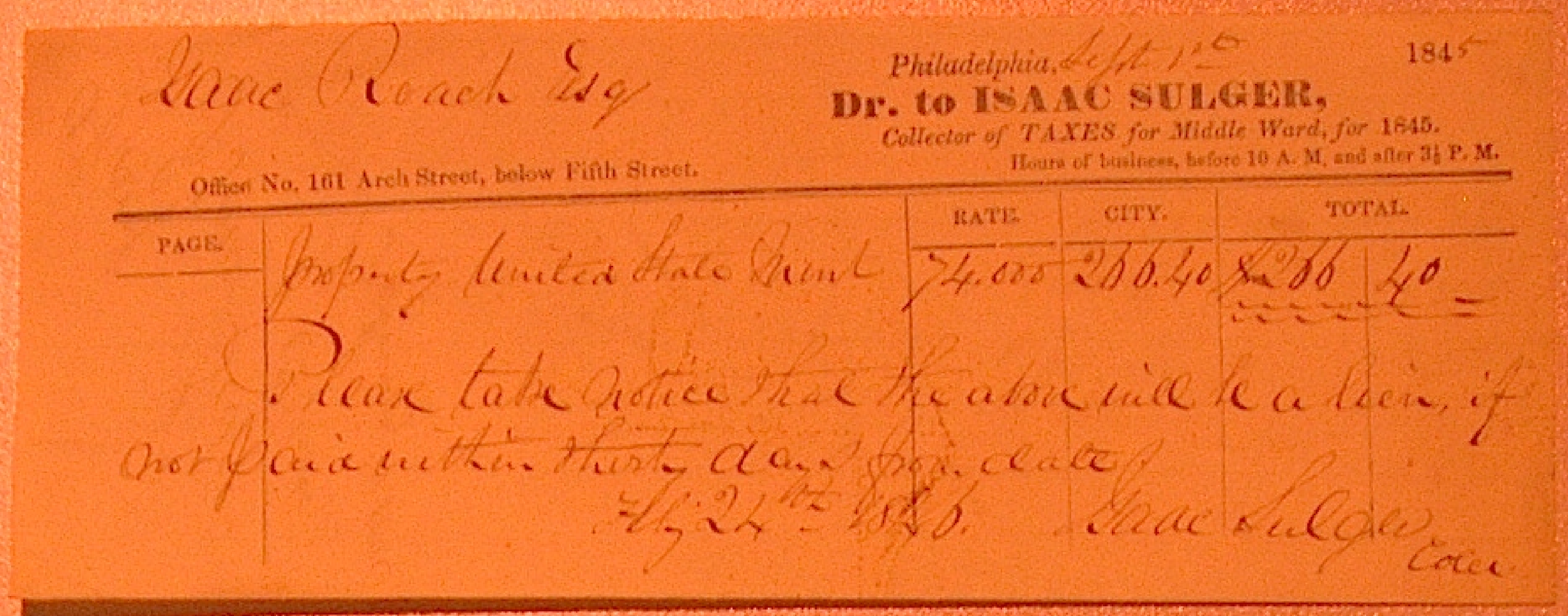
To
C. H. Eldridge, Esq.
Cashr. Mechanics Bank
Boston.



Isaac Roach Esq

Philadelphia, Sept 1st 1845

**Dr. to ISAAC SULGER,**

*Collector of TAXES for Middle Ward, for 1845.*

Hours of business, before 10 A. M. and after 3½ P. M.

Office No. 161 Arch Street, below Fifth Street.

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|  | Property United State Mint | 74.000 | 266.40 | $266 | 40 |

Please take notice that the above will be a lien, if not paid within thirty days from date

Feby 24th 1846. Isaac Sulger
Colr

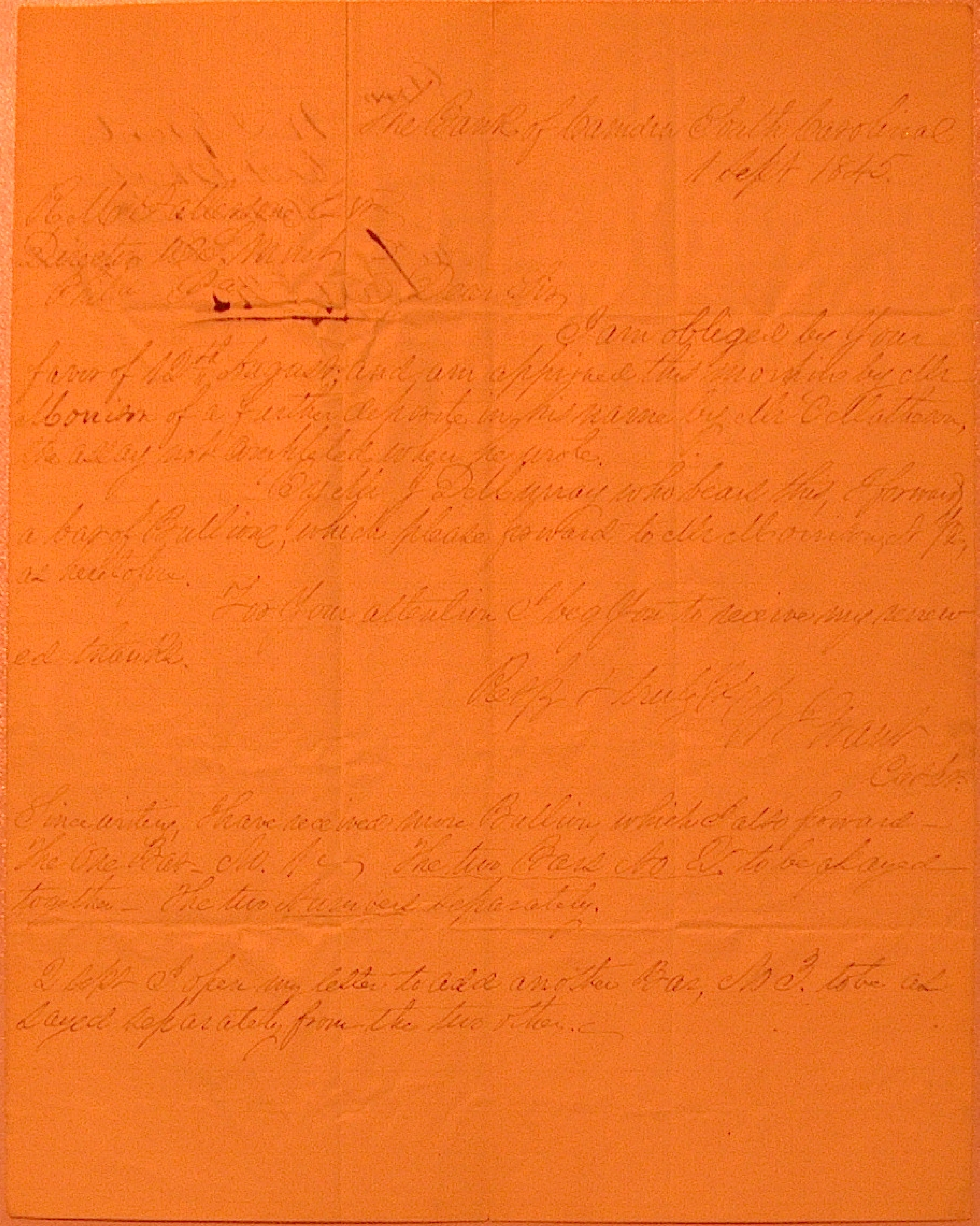
Hing L.

26 March 1845.

Having only received a copy of the Act of last Session of Congress relative to the rebuilding ~~of the Branch~~ of the Mint from the Director by last mail, I was unable before to day to make a requisition for the Salaries of the Officers ~~& Clerk~~ as the form and ~~regulation~~ amount of the requisition depended upon the ~~passage~~ wording of the Act. As soon as the funds are received I shall forward to you my a/cs of Ordinary Expenses for the 1st Quarter of 1845, which will be nothing more than the payment of the Officers' salaries & one Months wages of the men.

Will it be necessary to transmit Quarterly returns of my Gold & Silver Bullion a/cs, as these a/cs will necessarily remain as stated on the 31 Decr. 44?

First Auditor Treasy Departt.
Washington City



The Bank of Camden South Carolina
1 Sept 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director U.S. Mint
Phila. Pa.

Dear Sir,

I am obliged by your favor of 10th August, and am apprised this morning by the Mint of a further deposite in his name by Mr C. Matheson, the assay not completed when he wrote.

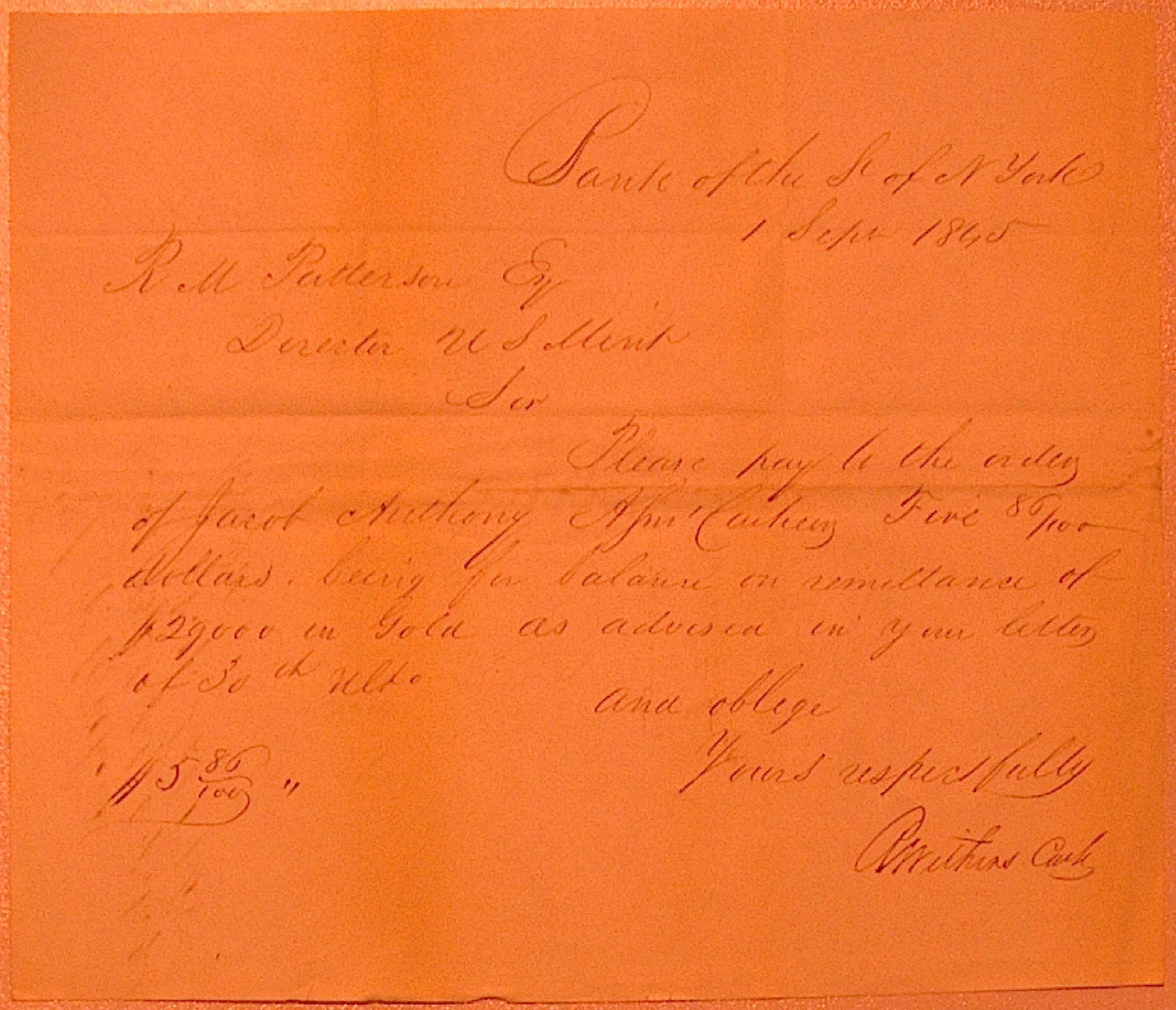
By Mr. J. Dellegray who bears this, I forward a bar of Bullion, which please forward to the Mint and report as heretofore.

For your attention I beg you to receive my renewed thanks.

Respy & truly Yrs
W. [illegible]
Cashr.

Since writing I have received more Bullion which I also forward — The One Bar No. 1 — the two Bars No. 2 to be Assayed together — The two Lumps separately.

2 Sept I open my letter to add another Bar, No. 3, to be assayed separately from the two other.



Bank of the St of N York
1 Sept 1845

R M Patterson Esq
Director U S Mint
Sir

Please pay to the order of Jacob Anthony Asst Coiner Five 86/100 dollars, being the balance on remittance of $29000 in Gold as advised in your letter of 30th ult.

and oblige
Yours respectfully
R Withers Cash

$5 86/100

Mint of the U. States,
Treasurer's Office, August 30. 1845.

Sir,

I herewith forward you the "weekly statement" ending this day, as a Depositary of the public money.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) Isaac Roach
Treasurer.

To Wm. Selden Esq,
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington.

Mint U. S. Aug. 30 '45.

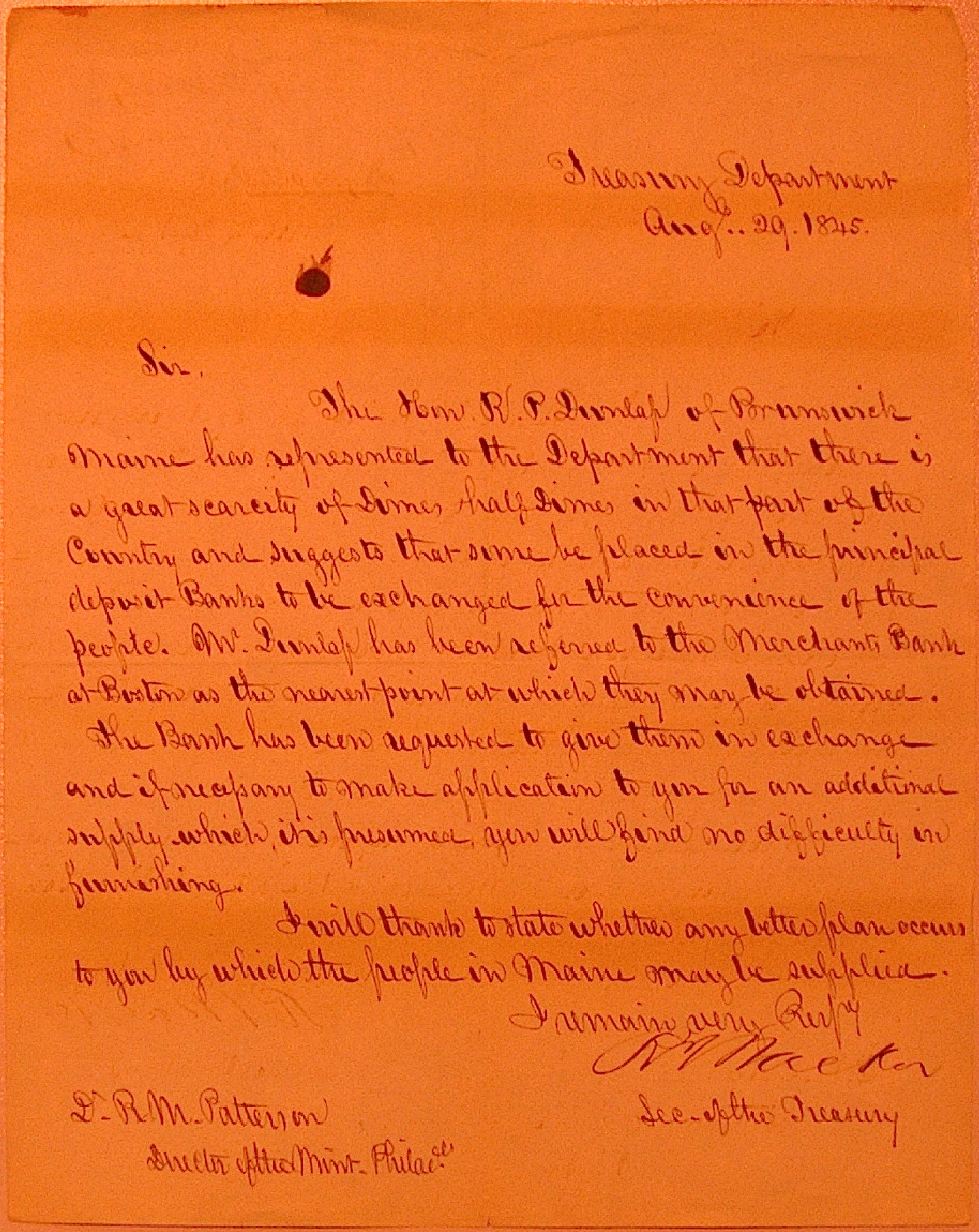
Sir,

In the temporary absence of the Director I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ult., and in conformity to your request enclose you Treasury Transfer Draft No. 197 on "the Cashier of the Bank of the State of New York at New York, for $29,000.00" and also a Memorandum showing the value of the deposits made ~~by~~ for you on the 29th instant to meet the same. You will ~~find~~ perceive that ~~it~~ ~~leaves~~ there is a balance in your favor on the deposits of $5.66 which added to 20 cents in silver found therein, leaves in our Treasurer's hands, subject to your ~~draft~~ order, $5.86.

Very respectfully
Yr

R. S.
Director's Clerk

R. Withers
Cashr. Bk of St. of N. Y.
N. York



Treasury Department
Aug. 29. 1845.

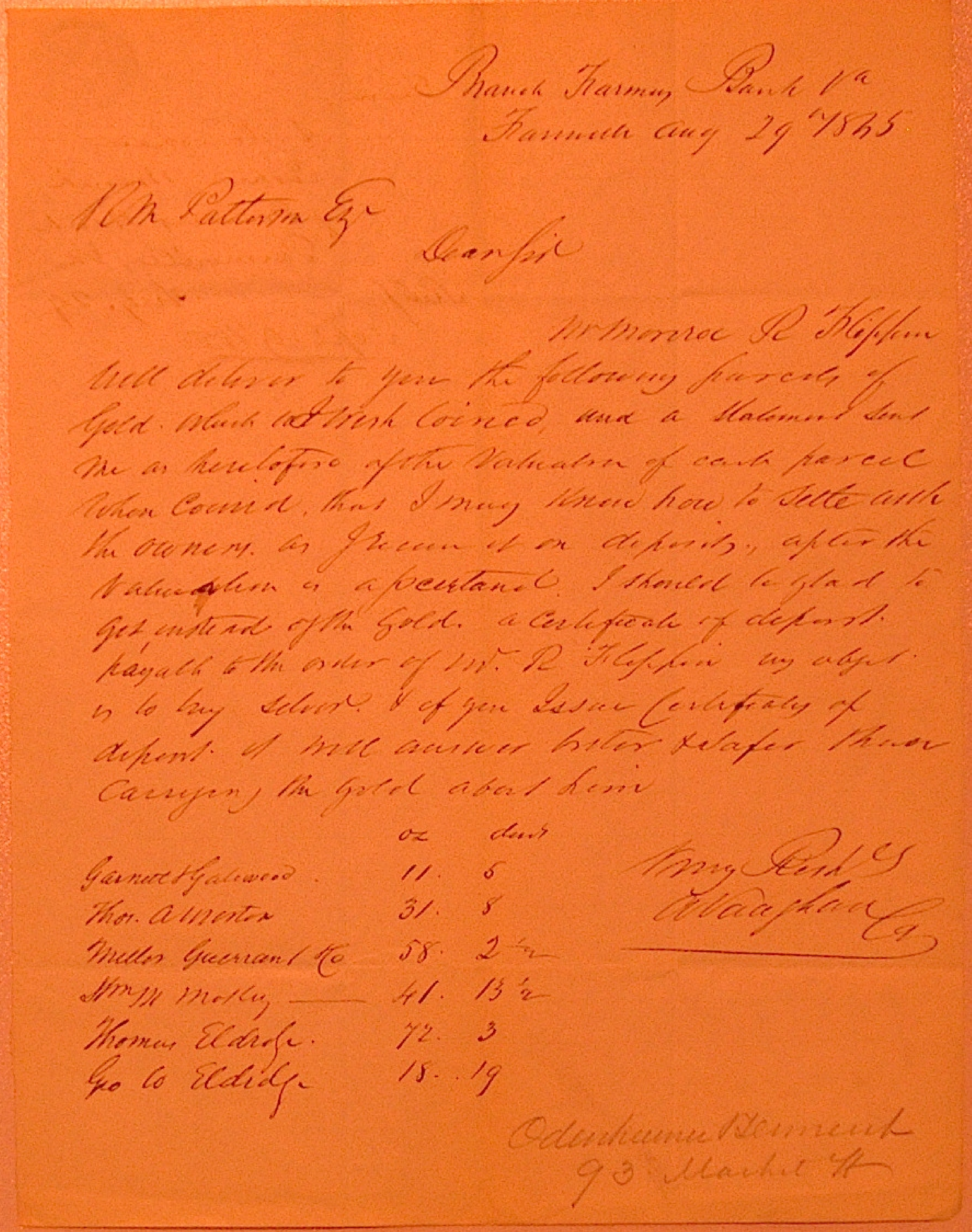
Sir,

The Hon. R. P. Dunlap of Brunswick Maine has represented to the Department that there is a great scarcity of Dimes half Dimes in that part of the Country and suggests that some be placed in the principal deposit Banks to be exchanged for the convenience of the people. Mr. Dunlap has been referred to the Merchants Bank at Boston as the nearest point at which they may be obtained. The Bank has been requested to give them in exchange and if necessary to make application to you for an additional supply which, it is presumed, you will find no difficulty in furnishing.

I will thank to state whether any better plan occurs to you by which the people in Maine may be supplied.

I remain very Resp'y
R J Walker
Sec. of the Treasury

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint. Philad^a.



Branch Farmers Bank Va
Farmville Aug 29th 1845

R M Patterson Esqr

Dear Sir

Mr Monroe R Flippen will deliver to you the following parcels of Gold. Which I wish Coined, and a Statement sent me as heretofore of the Valuation of each parcel when Coined, that I may know how to settle with the owners. As I recd it on deposite, after the Valuation is ascertained. I should be glad to get instead of the Gold. a Certificate of deposit. payable to the order of Mr. R Flippen my object is to buy Silver & if you Issue Certificates of deposit it will answer better & safer than carrying the Gold about him

| | oz | dwt |
|---|---|---|
| Garnett & Gatewood | 11. | 6 |
| Thos. A Morton | 31. | 8 |
| Miller Guerrant & Co | 58. | 2½ |
| Wm M Mosley | 41. | 13½ |
| Thomas Eldridge | 72. | 3 |
| Geo W Eldridge | 18. | 19 |

Very Respy
W Vaughan Ca

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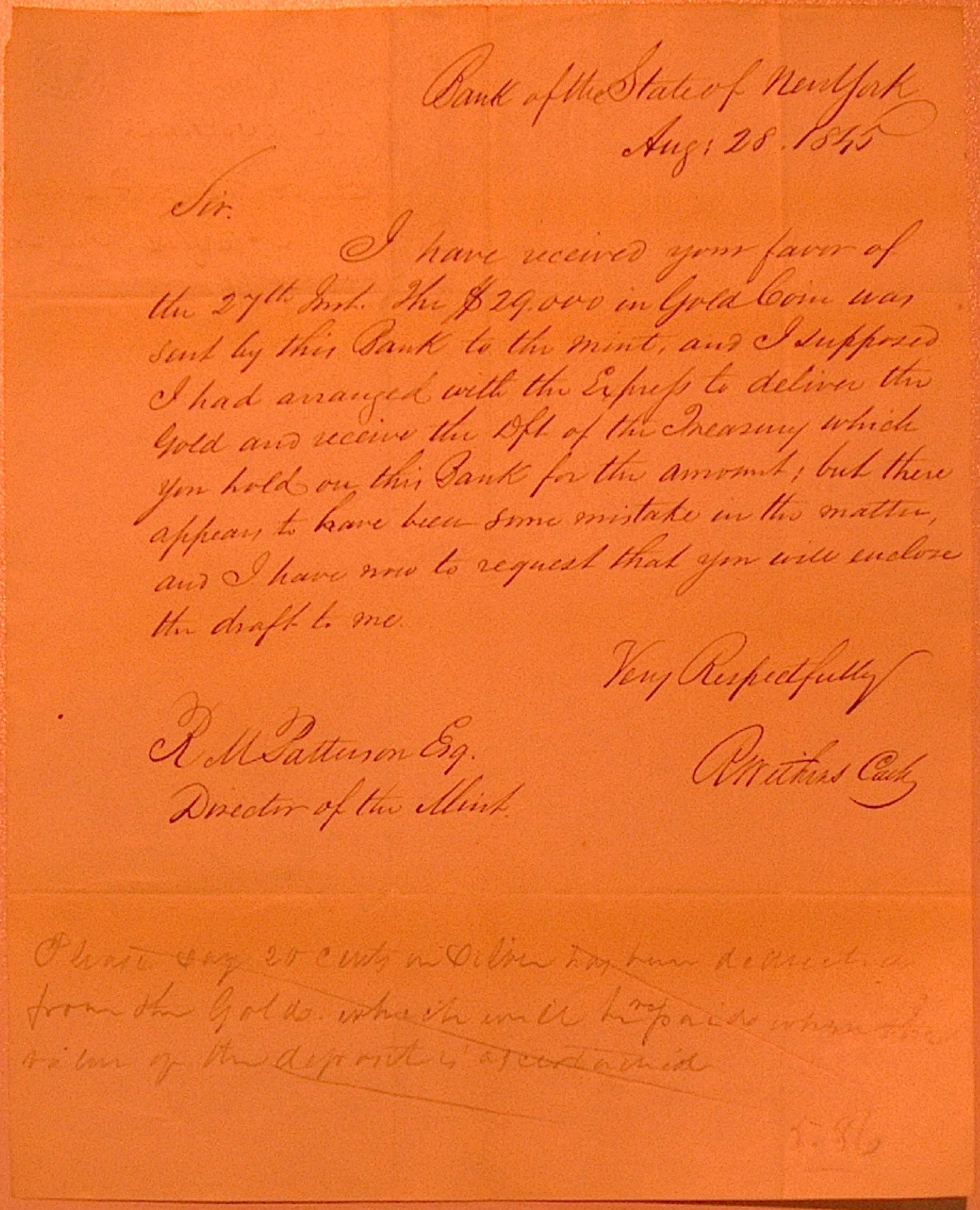
93 Market St



Bank of the State of New York
Aug: 28. 1845

Sir,

I have received your favor of the 27th Inst. The $29.000 in Gold Coin was sent by this Bank to the mint, and I supposed I had arranged with the Express to deliver the Gold and receive the Dft of the Treasury which you hold on this Bank for the amount; but there appears to have been some mistake in the matter, and I have now to request that you will enclose the draft to me.

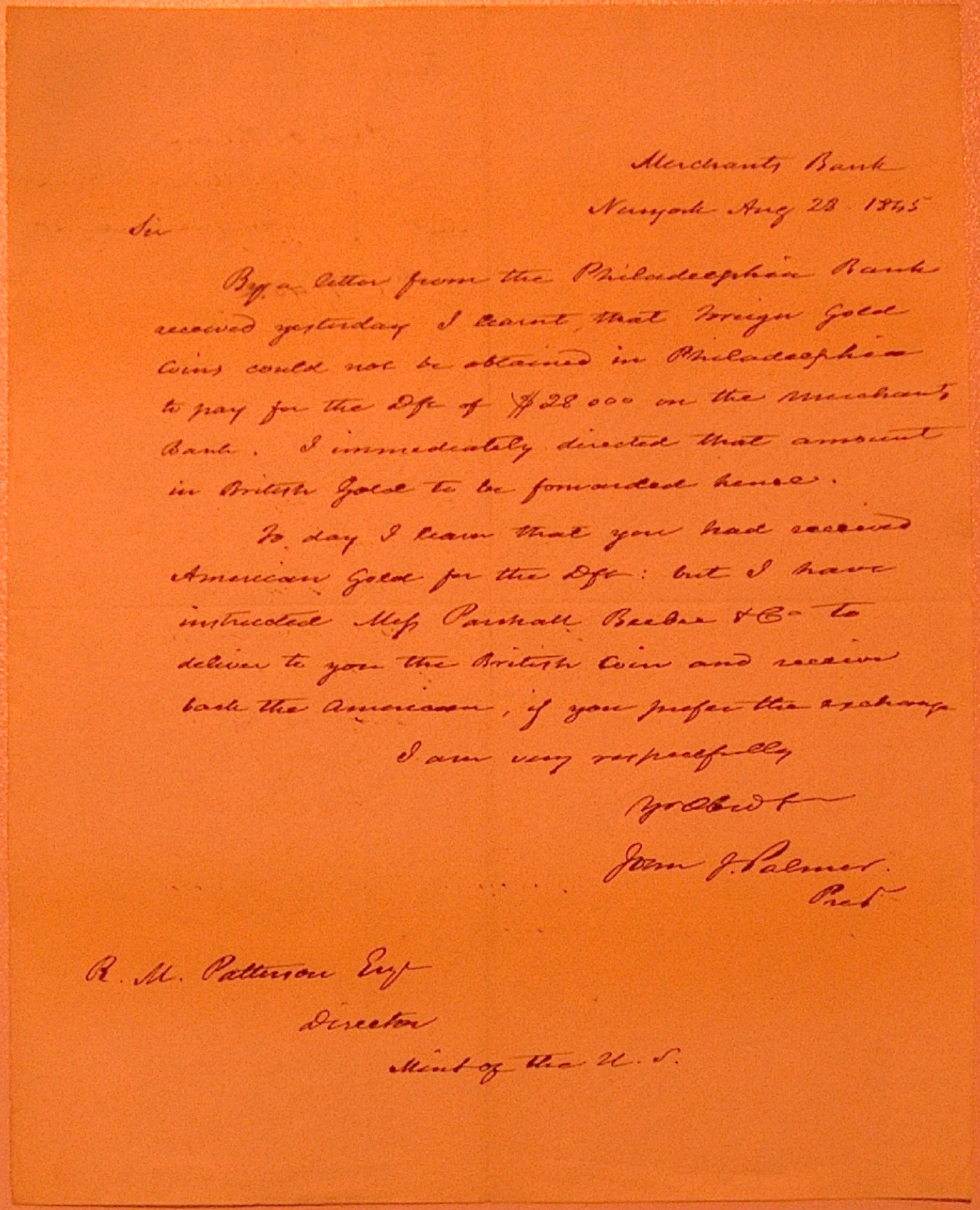
Very Respectfully

R M Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint

R Withers Cash.

~~Please say 20 cents in Silver has been deducted from the Gold which will be paid when the value of the deposit is ascertained~~

5.86



Merchants Bank
Newyork Aug 28 1845

Sir

By a letter from the Philadelphia Bank received yesterday I learnt, that foreign Gold Coins could not be obtained in Philadelphia to pay for the Dft of $28 000 on the Merchants Bank. I immediately directed that amount in British Gold to be forwarded hence.

To day I learn that you had received American Gold for the Dft: but I have instructed Mess Parshall Beebe & Co to deliver to you the British Coin and receive back the American, if you prefer the exchange

I am very respectfully
Yr Obdt Servt
John J. Palmer.
Prest

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director
Mint of the U. S.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
U. States Mint

My dear Sir

I received the within a day or two since from Mr Cooper. Will you do me the favor to send by the bearer the sum which it warrants me to receive

Yr friend & obt St

R. Tyler

R. M. Patterson Esq.
U. S. Mint

August 28th

P.O. Louisville Ky
27th Augt. 1845

Sir

Herein you have a check of the Louisville Savings Inst. on the Bank of America N. York for Sixty dollars; Mr Lehman Post-Master of your City, (to whom I enclose this letter) will hand you another for Forty dollars - making One hundred - Please send the value of this in cents & half cents to Thomas I. Read Esqr for the use of the Post Office in this city -

Say - Seventy ($70) dollars worth of cents, and thirty ($30) dollars of ½ cents -

Direct to Thomas I. Read Louisville Ky & send them to Messrs. John W Butler & Bro Pittsburg Pa, who will receive & forward them,

Please advise ~~me~~ Mr Read when they are sent

Very Respectfully
Yr obt Servt
L. P. Maury

J. Roach Esqr
Tr Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

Mint of the United States.
Dec. 26th, 1845.

My dear Sir,

~~I hoped to be able to answer the inquiries made in your letter of the 12th inst.~~

After a delay which I regret, but could not avoid, I now proceed to answer the inquiries made in your letter of the 12th inst., regarding the projected Branch Mint at New York.

It ~~would~~ seems as if the first question to be answered should bear upon the necessity of such an establishment. ~~I~~ ~~I think~~ It I might answer it by stating the fact that ~~there can be no hesitation in saying, that for the coinage~~ a ~~likely to be~~ required ~~required, it is wholly unnecessary~~ the coinage of the four existing mints has never reached the amount which could be executed in this Mint alone, and which may be ~~fa~~ fairly estimated at twelve millions.

~~A new~~

The second question should have regard to the cost. ~~To this [illegible]~~ This I can answer but very imperfectly. ~~as~~ The Mint at New Orleans cost, before it went into operation, more than $300,000; and ~~it is~~ the building is of brick, and of no great pretension. A most important item of cost, moreover, was saved, by the lot on which the building was made having been presented for the purpose, by the city. I am ~~an~~ confident that New York would not be satisfied with a Mint costing less than half a million. The annual expense thereafter may be estimated at $50,000.

¶ Is a Mint at New York required by the expense ~~of~~ to ~~the~~ the depositors, in that city, of having their coinage done in Philadelphia? ¶ A simple statement will answer this question. The cost of transporting silver from one of these cities to the other is one dollar for ~~the value of one thousand~~ $1000 worth; and the cost of transporting a thousand dollars worth of gold varies from 25 to 38 cents. It would therefore be much more economical for the government to pay this charge, than to establish and maintain a new Mint.

Another important question, in its bearing upon this subject, ~~relates to the number and value of the deposits for coinage at the Philadelphia Mint, from New York and places north of it~~ regards the places from which the deposits received at Philadelphia for coinage come. ¶ To answer this I have caused a most laborious examination of our books to be made, and the result is that, from the 1st of January 1839 to the 31st of December 1844 inclusive, the deposits were as follows:

| | From New York and places North of it. | | From Philadelphia and places South of it. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | No. | Value | No. | Value |
| Silver | 386 | $1,136,226. | 2365 | $7,251,566. |
| Gold | 722 | 2,625,653 | 2815 | 7,152,575. |
| Both | 1108 | 3,761,879 | 5180 | 14,404,141. |

In presenting this statement I have to

mention that we have no means of tracing the sources of the deposites beyond the banks or houses from which they are sent to the Mint, and in whose names they are made.

Is any large amount of bullion (including in this term foreign coins) kept back ~~from coinage~~ by the banks in New York and north of it, which would be received were there a Mint in that city?

I cannot, ~~give~~ of course, give any specific answer to this question; but a probable inference may be drawn from the following fact.

During the last summer, the Treasurer of the United States issued transfer drafts, in favor of the Mint, upon banks in New York and Boston, to the amount of $228,000, payable in foreign silver coins or bullion. Only one of the banks, as I have reason to believe, was able to furnish its contingent, of $10,000, from its own ~~vaul~~ vaults. The rest ~~had~~ been obliged to resort to the houses of Beebee and Parshall, bullion brokers, for the silver required of them. Mr Beebee of the Philadelphia house, informs me that the silver, which was almost exclusively of Mexican dollars, was received from the West at Philadelphia.

~~If the question~~ It seems to me inconsistent with an economical administration of the government that there should be a Mint both at Philadelphia and New York,—cities but five or six hours distant from each other. ~~Were they established, one of them would soon sicken and that would probably~~ You know that this measure was formerly recommended by Mr. Woodbury, and strongly urged by the authorities of New York; but it did not then ~~meet the countenance~~ ~~obtain~~ command the support of Congress, ~~and the~~ ~~to the connexion of the question with that of the subtreasury~~ I presume that it will hardly do so now.

## Information to be asked for.

1 Cost of ~~the~~ erecting the Mint at New Orleans and supplying it with machinery.

2 Whole cost of that Mint to the government, to the present time.

3 Estimated cost of a Mint at New York, including the lot, and the machinery.

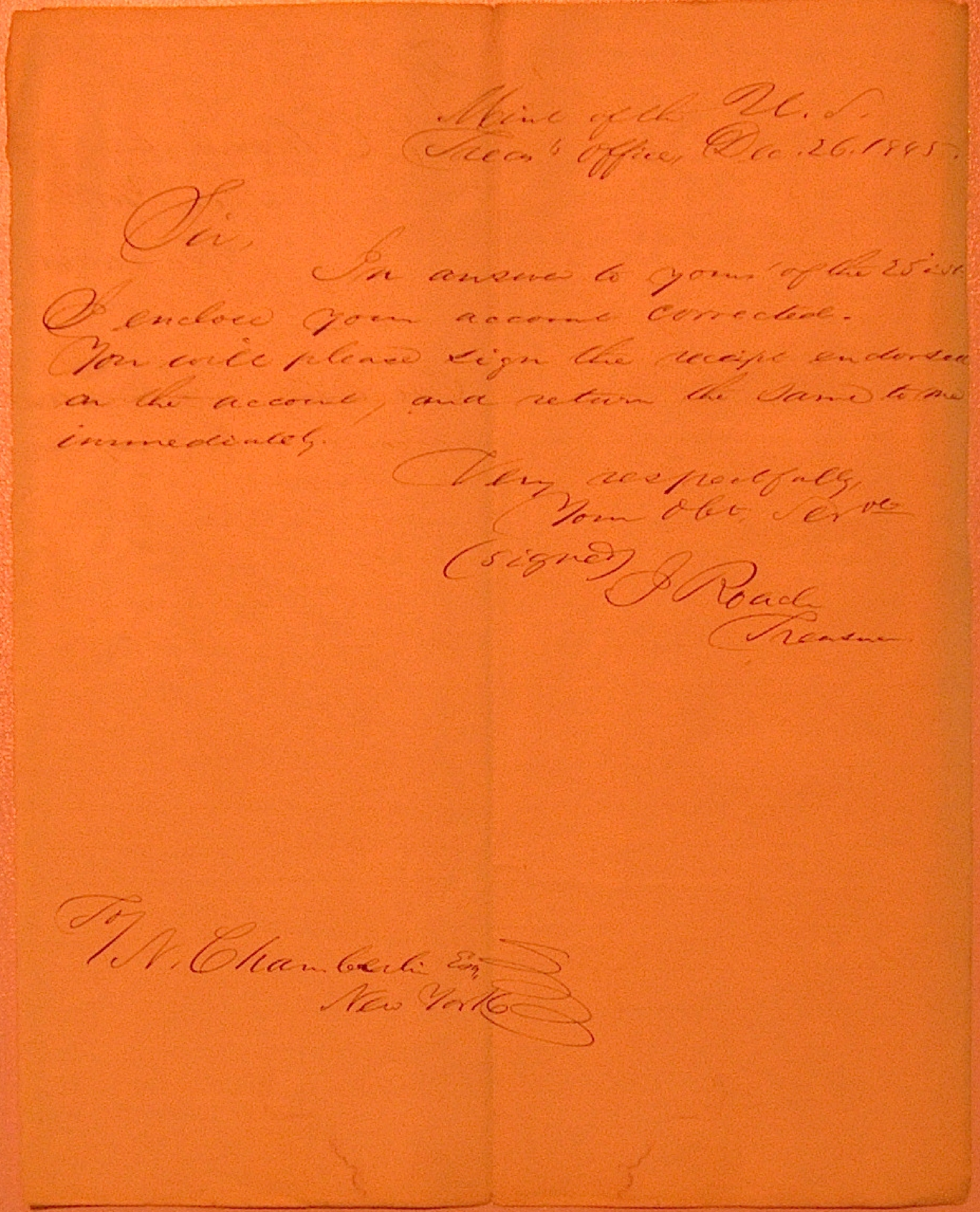
4 Estimated annual expense, when in operation.

5 Cost of transporting silver and gold bullion from New York to the Philadelphia Mint for coinage ~~and of its~~

6. Course generally taken for the transportation of bullion & coins, particularly dollars, from ~~the~~ Spanish America to the Middle and Northern States.

7. Whether there is reason to believe that there is retained ~~at~~ in the New York and Boston banks an amount of foreign coins greater ~~that~~ than is required for supplying the balances of exchange with Europe. ~~Also whether the coinage of~~ Also, what would be the effect, on the shipment of the precious metals out of the country, of the conversion of foreign into American coins.

8. What would be the probable effect, on the operations of the Philadelphia Mint, of the establishment of a Mint at Newyork. =



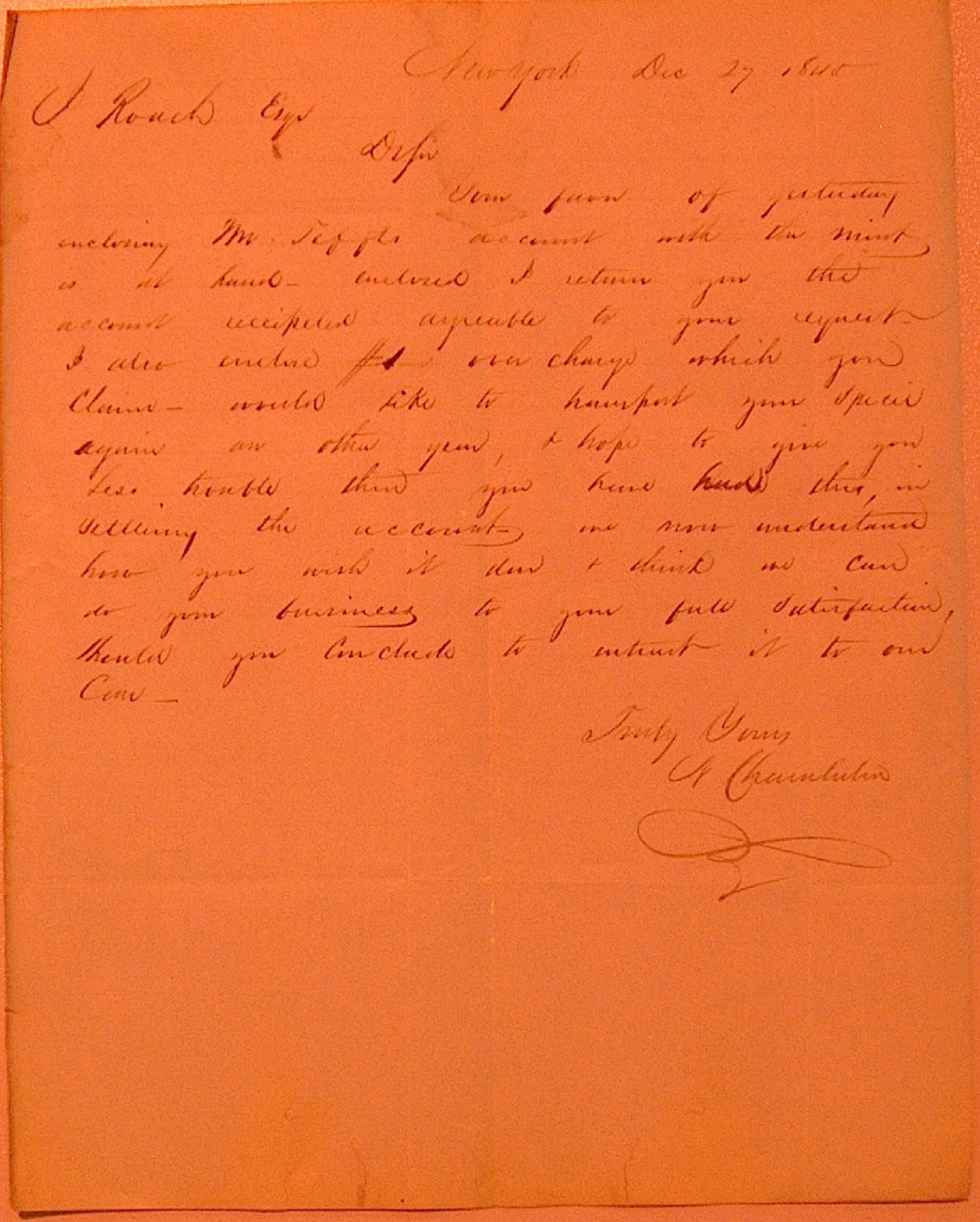
Mint of the U. S.
Treas. Office, Dec. 26. 1845.

Sir,

In answer to yours of the 25th inst. I enclose your account corrected. You will please sign the receipt endorsed on the account, and return the same to me immediately.

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
(signed) I. Roach
Treasurer

To T. N. Chamberlin Esq.
New York



New York Dec 27 1840

J Roach Esqr

Dr Sir

Your favor of yesterday enclosing Mr. Tepples account with the Mint is at hand — enclosed I return you the account receipted agreeable to your request — I also enclose the over charge which you claim — would like to transport your Specie again an other year, & hope to give you less trouble than you have had this, in settling the account — we now understand how you wish it done & think we can do your business to your full satisfaction, should you conclude to entrust it to our care —

Truly Yours
A Chamberlin

Mint U. S. Dec. 27. 1845

Sir, In your letter of the 18th inst., to the Post Master at this place, you mention, in relation to an application which I had made to him, that dies, sent by the Mint, for the government, though not strictly mailable matter under the law "might with propriety be permitted to pass upon payment of postage by weight as mailable matter".

Now the purpose of the present communication is to ask that you will decide whether the postage shall be charged on the packages as if they were letters, or whether they may not be received as coming under the 530th article of your regulations, which includes, with pamphlets &c "every other kind and description of printed or other matter ~~such~~ &c . . . . which shall be unconnected with any manuscript communication whatever".

The charges under this interpretation of the law would be such as could be paid with propriety: under the other, adopted by our post Master, they are enormous.

I am with the highest respect
Sir most faithfully yours

To | Hon. Cave Johnson
Post master General

R. M. P.
Director

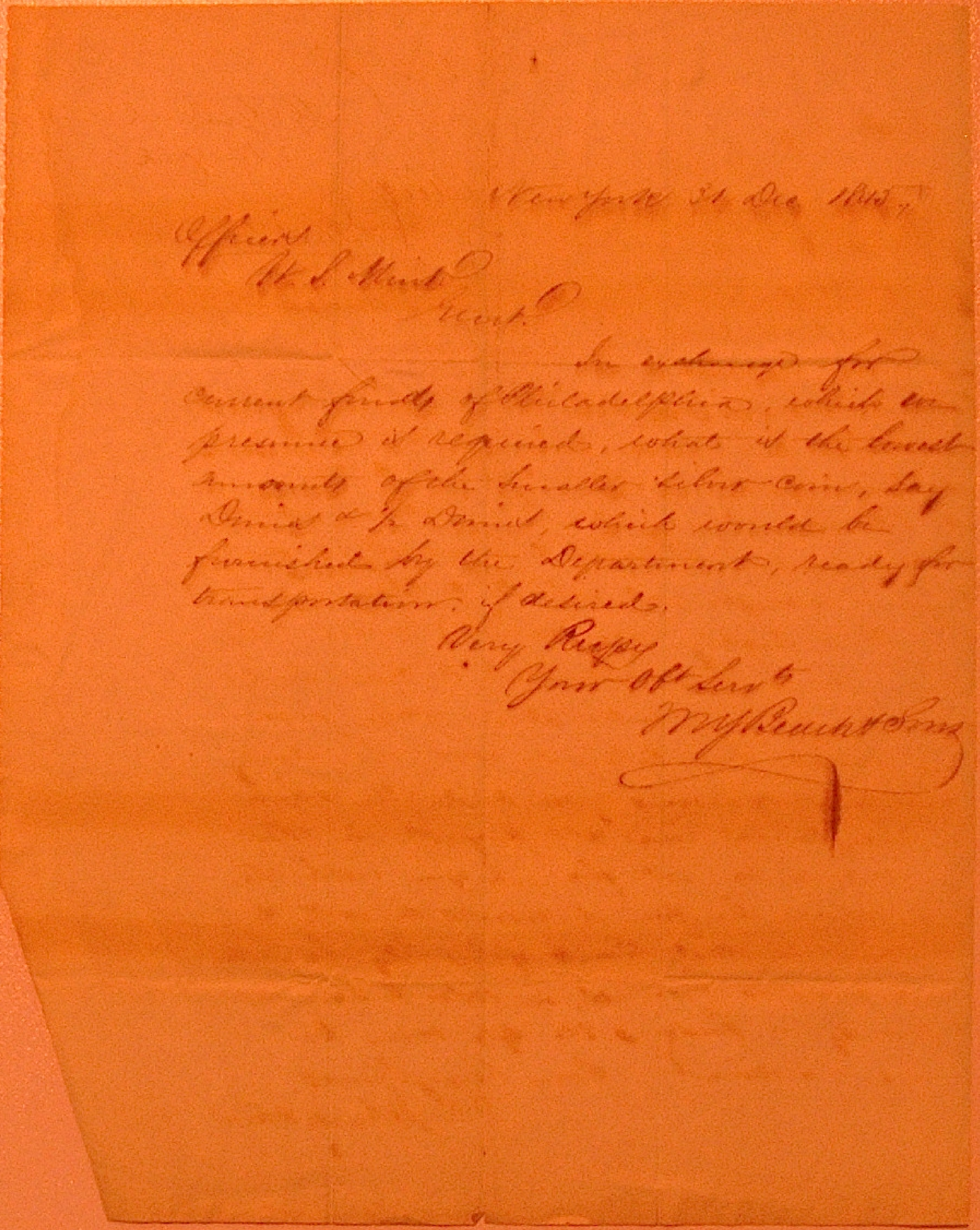
Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, Decembe 31. 1845.

Sir,

I forward you, herewith, as a Depositary of the public money, the quarterly statement ending this day.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed)
J. Roach Treas.

To
Wm Selden Esq,
Treas. U. States,
Washington.

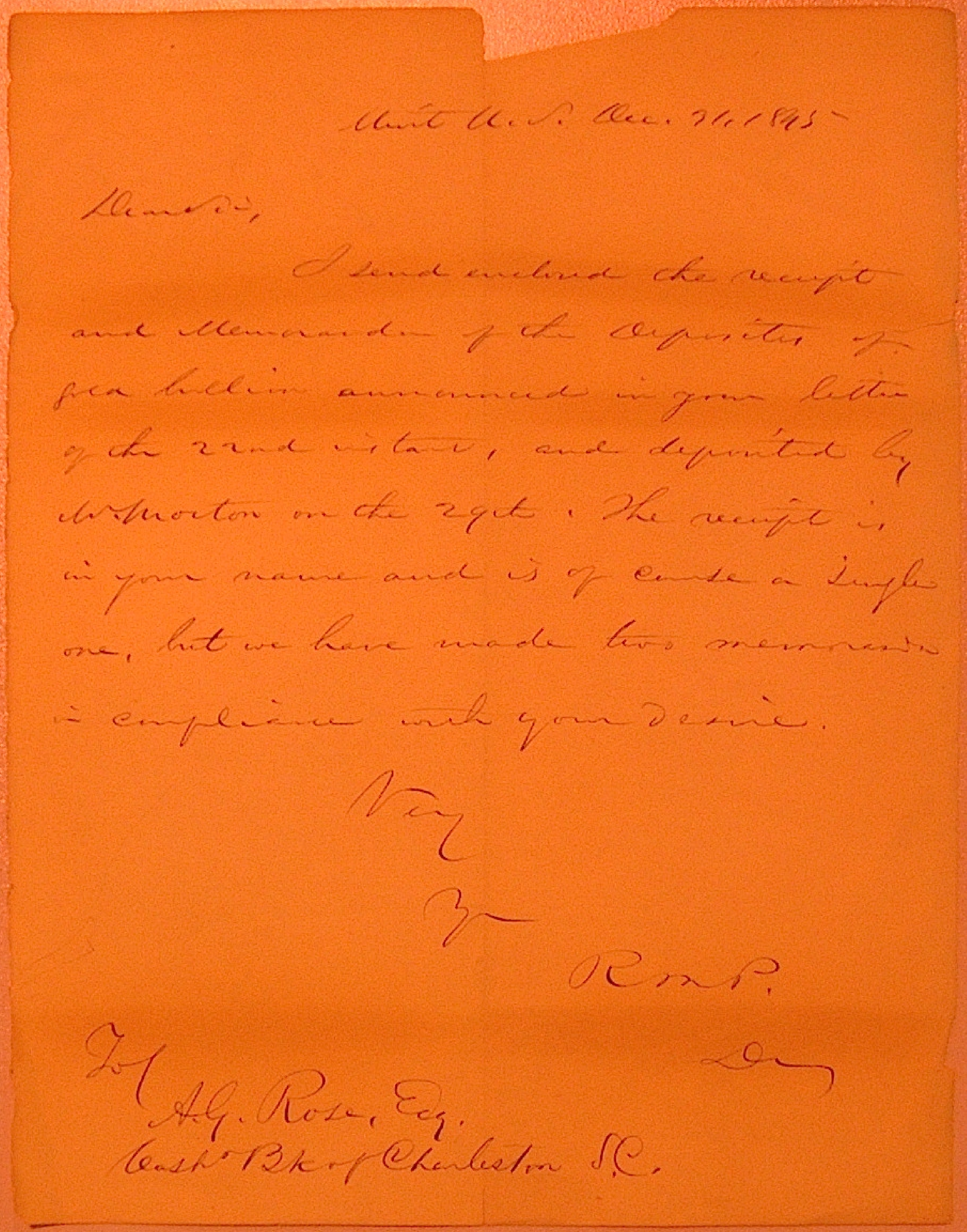


New York 31 Dec 1845

Officers
U. S. Mint
Gent.

In exchange for current funds of Philadelphia, which we presume is required, what is the lowest amount of the smaller silver coin, say Dimes & ½ Dimes, which would be furnished by the Department, ready for transportation, if desired.

Very Respy
Your Obt Servts
M. J. Beach & Sons



Mint U.S. Dec. 31. 1845

Dear Sir,

I send enclosed the receipt and Memoranda of the deposites of gold bullion announced in your letter of the 22nd instant, and deposited by Mr. Morton on the 29th. The receipt is in your name and is of course a single one, but we have made two memoranda in compliance with your desire.

Very

Yr

R. M. P.

Dir

To A. G. Rose, Esq.
Cashr Bk of Charleston S.C.

New York Dec 25. 1840

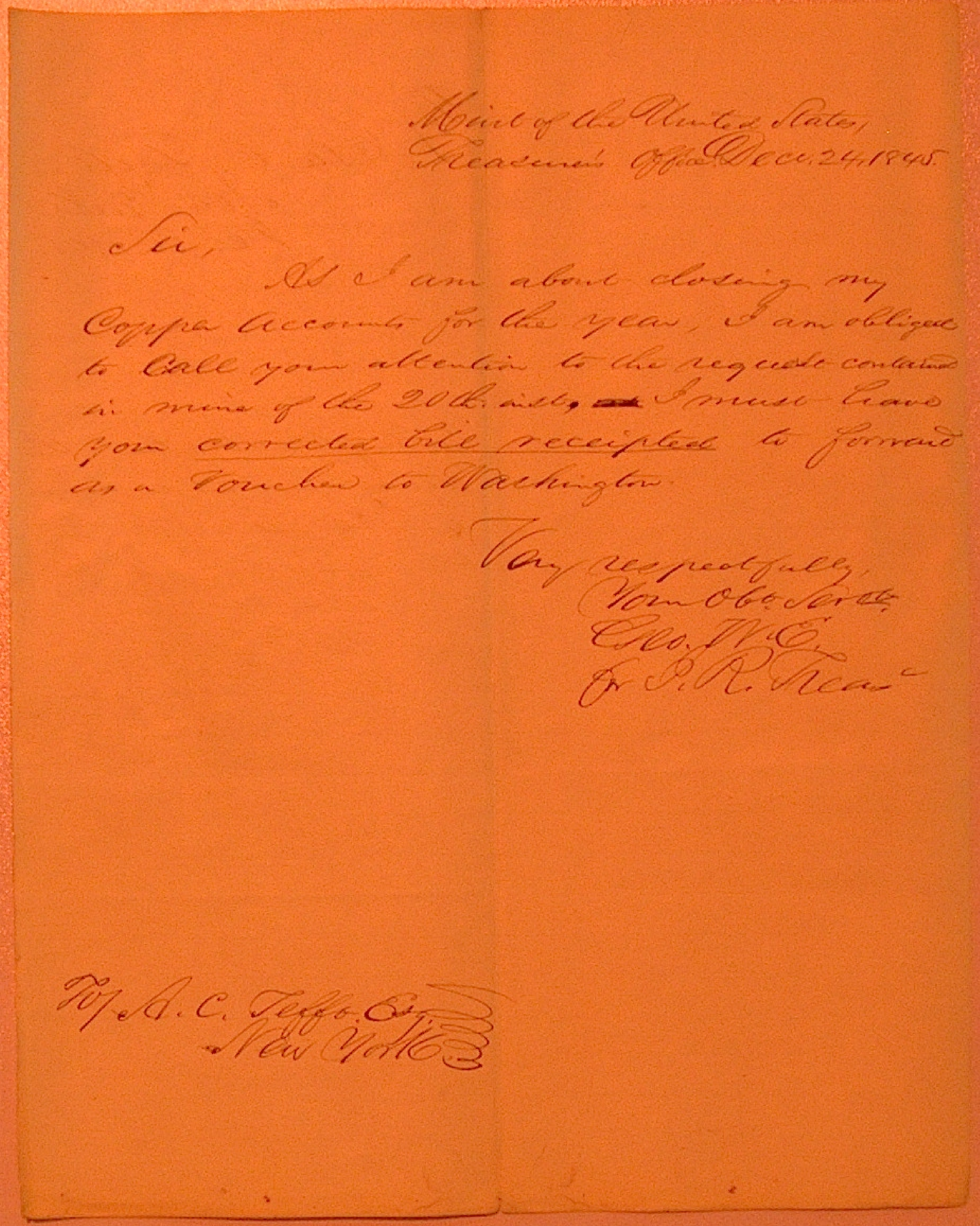
J Roach Esq

Sirs

Your two favors of the 20 & 24 inst directed to A C Tefft Esq is at hand, I would say in reply that Mr Tefft is out of town & not expected to return in some 4 or 5 weeks, I regret that this triffling matter has given you so much trouble, which has all been brot about by a misunderstanding of Mr. Francis - I have not a Copy of the last account sent you by Mr Tefft & now if you will return it to me with a memorandum of what Correction should be made, I will make it & return to you a receipted account, together with the $1 - which you say is an overcharge - will attend to it immediately on receipt of the last account sent you by Mr T

Truly Yours
A. Chamberlain
29 Courtland St N.Y.

P.S.
Mr Tefft is a partner of mine -



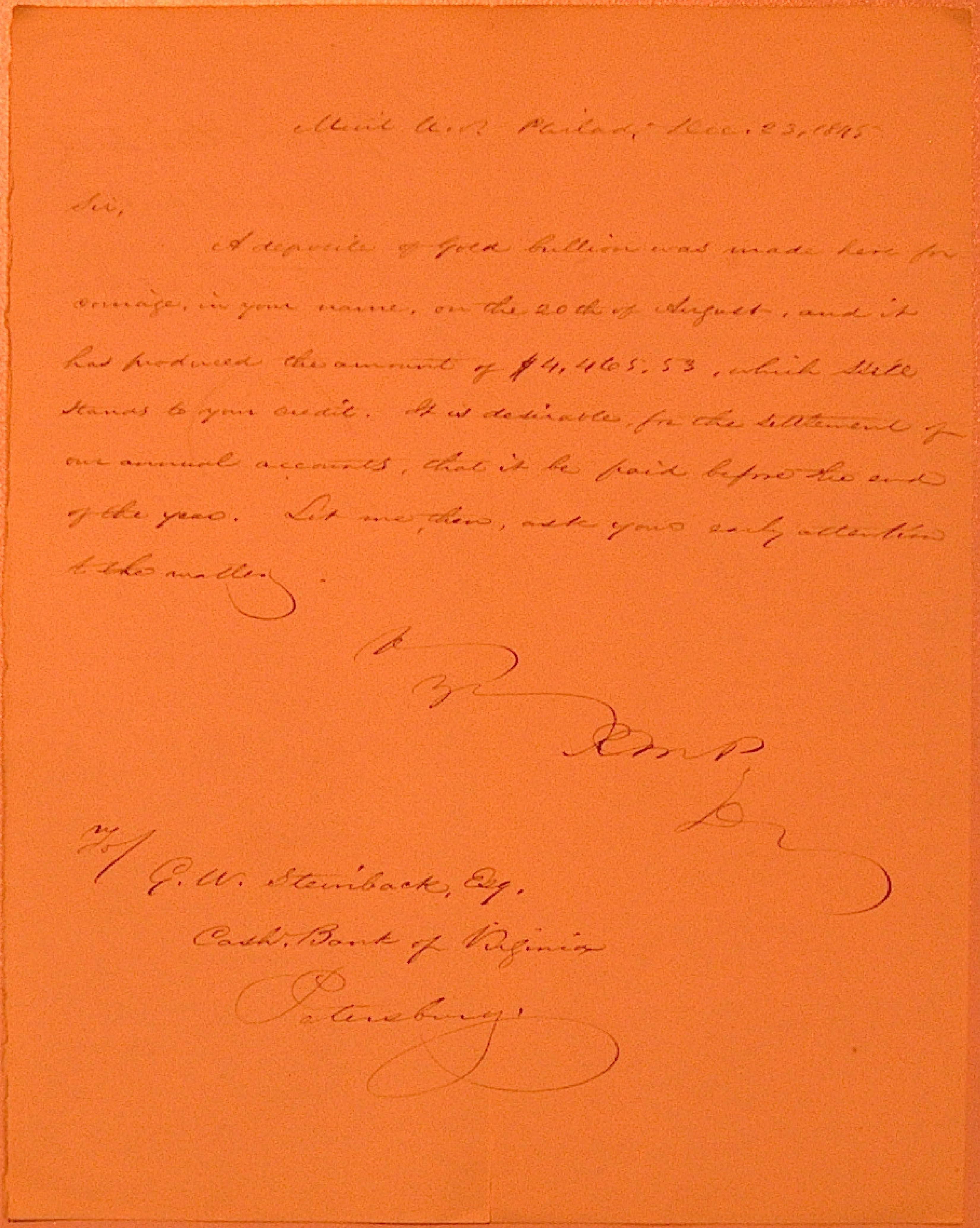
Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office Decr. 24. 1845

Sir,

As I am about closing my Copper Accounts for the year, I am obliged to call your attention to the request contained in mine of the 20th. inst., I must have your *corrected bill receipted* to forward as a Voucher to Washington.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
Geo. W. E.
for I. R. Treasr.

To A. C. Teffo Esq
New York



Mint U.S. Philada, Dec. 23, 1845

Sir,

A deposite of Gold bullion was made here for coinage, in your name, on the 20th of August, and it has produced the amount of $4,465.53, which still stands to your credit. It is desirable, for the settlement of our annual accounts, that it be paid before the end of the year. Let me, then, ask your early attention to the matter.

Yrs

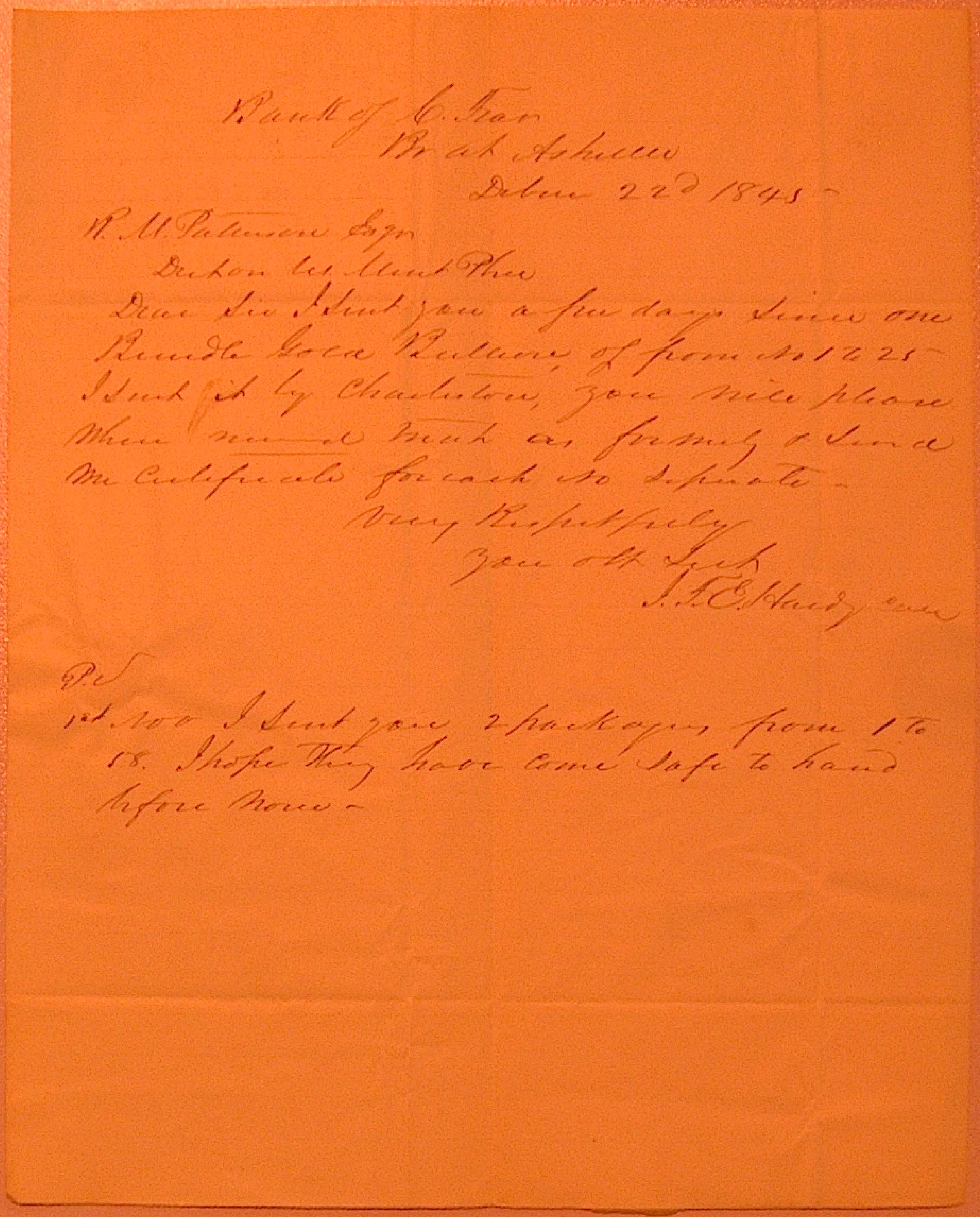
R M P

Dir

To/ G. W. Steinback, Esq.

Cash. Bank of Virginia

Petersburg



Bank of C. Fear
Br at Asheville
Decm 22d 1845

R. M. Patterson Esqr
Director US Mint Phia

Dear Sir I sent you a few days since one Bundle Gold Bullion of from No 1 to 25 I sent it by Charleston, you will please when assayed mark as formerly & send me Certificate for each No separate -

Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
J. F. E. Hardy cash

P. S.
1st Nov I sent you 2 packages from 1 to 58. I hope they have come safe to hand before now -

Bank of Charleston S.C
22d December 1845

R. M. Patterson Esqr

Director U. S. Mint Philª

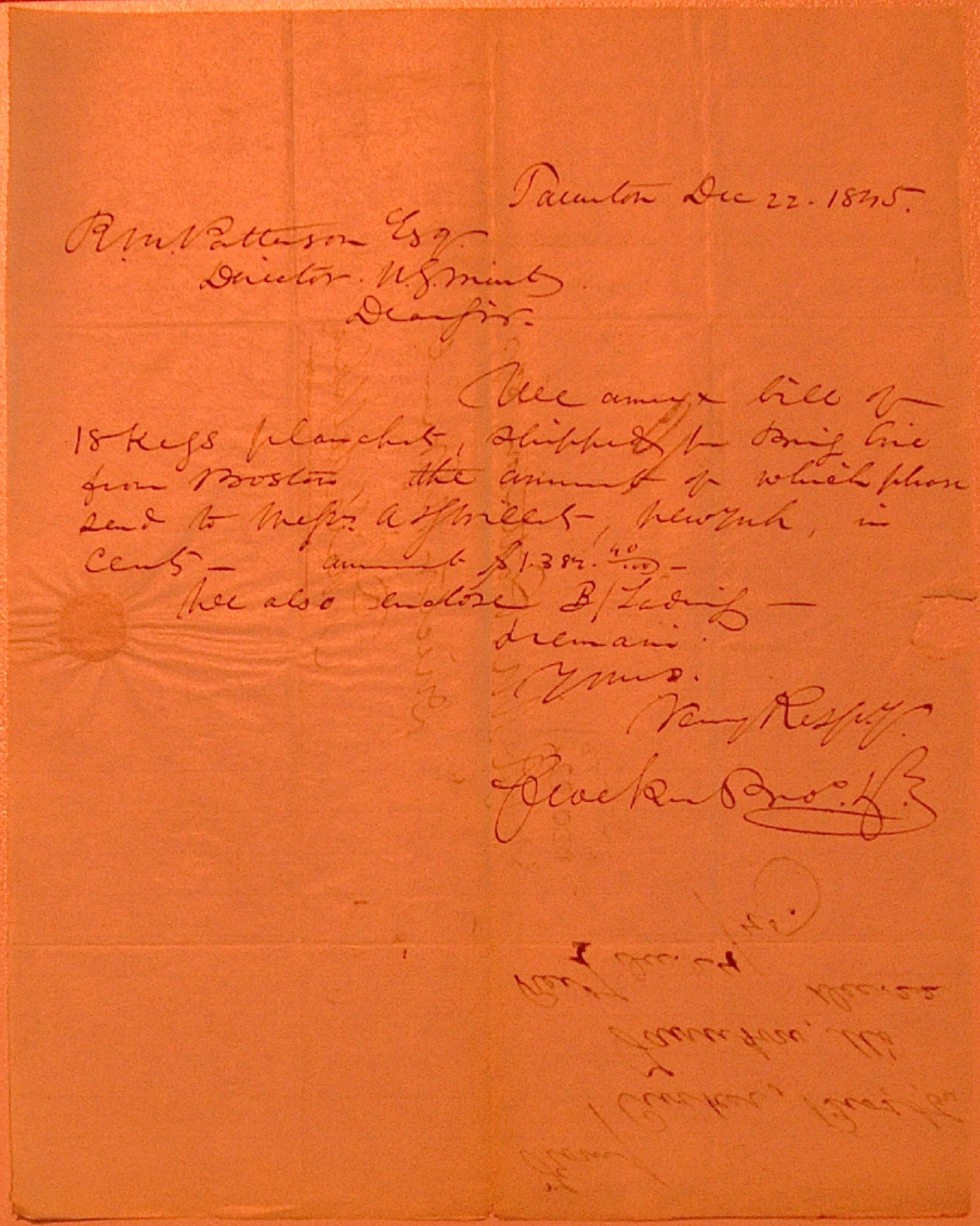
Dr Sir/

Mr Morton who will present this, will deliver to you nine bars of Gold and a small package of Gold dust, which you will please receive for account of this Bank & furnish me with the certificate of deposit and particulars of the value of each parcel, when aſsayed. –

A portion of the Gold has been aſsayed here and are numbered as follows, 307. 308. 303. 309. & 310. – For the amount of these please furnish one certificate.

Another portion is designated by the numbers 1. 2. 3. 4 & package of Gold dust 5. For the amount of these please furnish another certificate. We take the parcels from different parties, with whom we are to account when the value of each is ascertained at the mint, hence the neceſsity of my giving you the trouble of iſsuing separate certificates. – Very respectfy

A G Rose
Cash



Taunton Dec 22. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U. S. Mint
Dear Sir.

We annex bill of 18 Kegs planchets, shipped per Brig Lucie from Boston the amount of which please send to Messrs A. G. Miller, New York, in Cents — amount $1.382.40/100 —

We also enclose B/Lading —

Remain
Yours
Very Respy.
Crocker Bros. & Co.

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia Dec. 2d 1845

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for six thousand eight hundred dollars, out of the appropriations of the current fiscal year: viz.

|  |  |
|---|---|
| For salaries of Officers & Clerks | $ 4,800 |
| wages of workmen | 2,000 |
|  | $ 6,800 |

and also for two thousand dollars, out of the appropriations of the last fiscal year, 1844-5, viz.

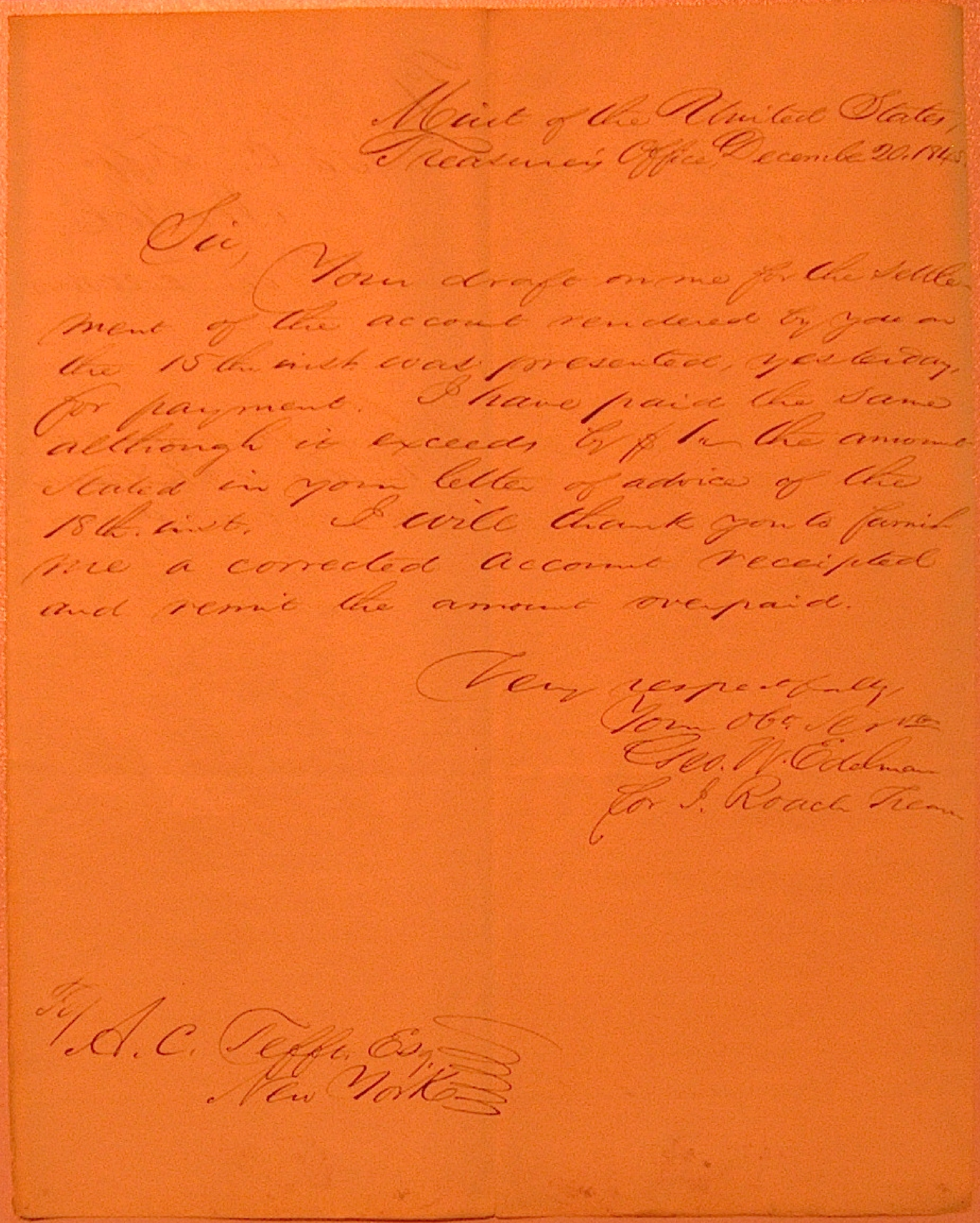
|  |  |
|---|---|
| For incidental & contingent expenses | $ 2000. |
| In all | $ 8,800 |

Very
Yr —

R. M. P.
Dir.

2/

Hon. R J Walker
Secy of Treasury.



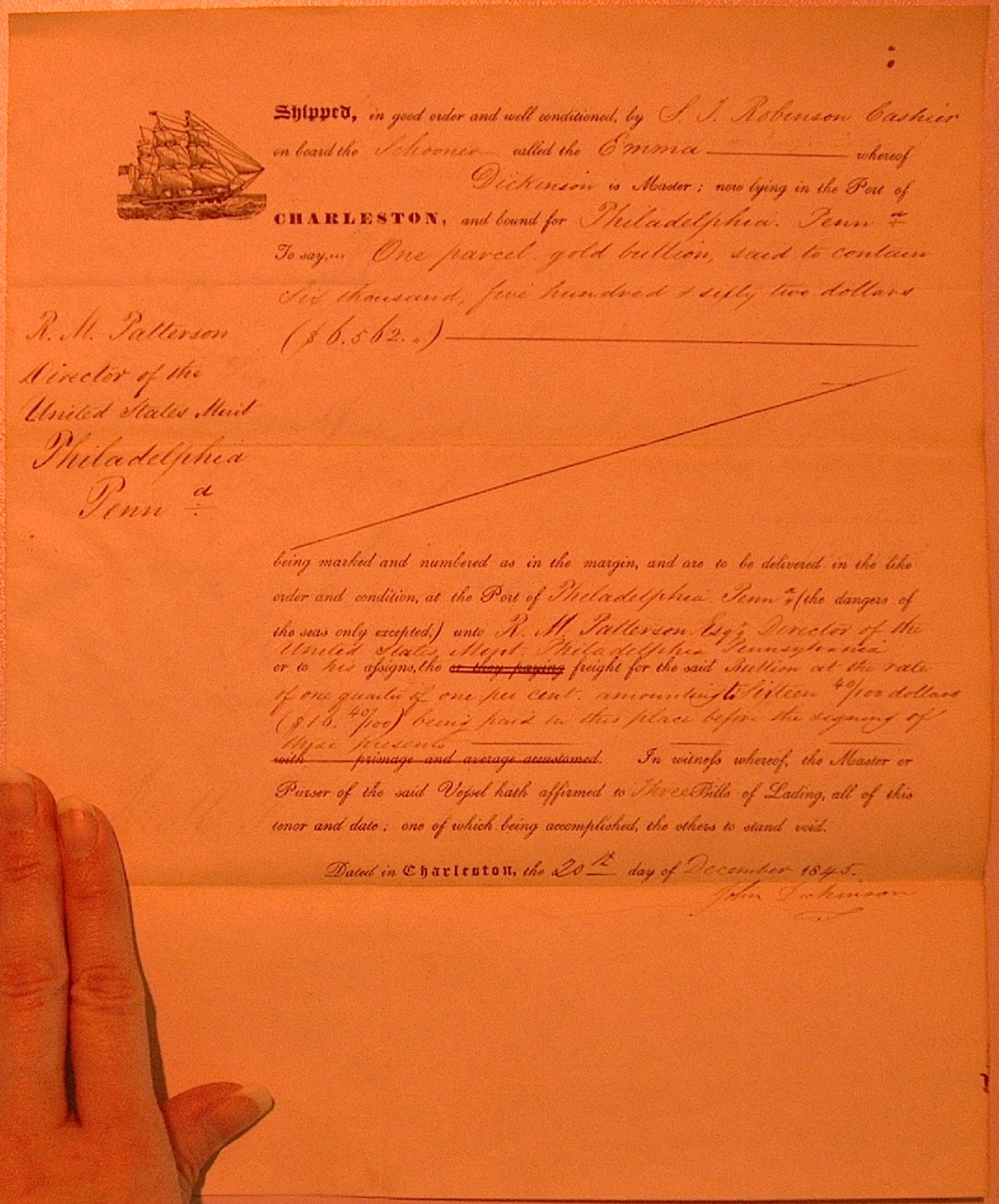
Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office December 20. 1845

Sir,

Your draft on me for the settlement of the account rendered by you on the 15th inst. was presented, yesterday, for payment. I have paid the same although it exceeds by $1 the amount stated in your letter of advice of the 18th inst. I will thank you to furnish me a corrected account receipted and remit the amount overpaid.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Geo. N. Eddman
for I. Roach Treas.

To/ A. C. Tefft, Esq.
New York



**Shypped,** in good order and well conditioned, by S. J. Robinson Cashier on board the Schooner called the Emma whereof Dickinson is Master; now lying in the Port of **CHARLESTON,** and bound for Philadelphia Penna

To say,... One parcel gold bullion, said to contain Six thousand, five hundred & sixty two dollars ($6.562.)

R. M. Patterson
Director of the
United States Mint
Philadelphia
Penna

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like order and condition, at the Port of Philadelphia Penna (the dangers of the seas only excepted,) unto R. M. Patterson Esqr Director of the United States Mint Philadelphia Pennsylvania or to his assigns, the ~~or they paying~~ freight for the said Bullion at the rate of one quarter of one per cent. amounting to Sixteen 40/100 dollars ($16.40/100) being paid in this place before the signing of these presents ~~with primage and average accustomed.~~ In witneſs whereof, the Master or Purser of the said Veſsel hath affirmed to Three Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Dated in Charleston, the 20th day of December 1845.

John Dickinson

Planters & Mechs Bk of S C
Charleston 22 Dec 1845

Dear Sir.

Annexed you have Bill of Lading of a package of gold bullion shipped per Schr. Emma for acct of the Br Bank of Cape Fear, Asheville N C

Please advise J. F. E. Hardy Cashier on its receipt — I am Respy
Yr Obt St
W. T. Robinson
Cas.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of
the Mint
Phila

Mint of the United States
Dec. 19th, 1845.

Sir,

On the 9th of August last, ~~I received a note~~ Mr. Allen Leonard handed to me a note from you, asking "my views as to the engraver of the Mint; as to the qualifications of the incumbent, as well as of any other applicant."

On the 13th of August, Mr. Leonard wrote to me to ask "whether I could not sustain his application unless he cut another die; stating that my refusal would oblige him to cut it; that what he had already done, ~~(the head of the elder Adams)~~ had been very expensive to him, and executing another would be much more so."

To this I answered that "the only available evidence that I had of his skill and ability as a die-sinker was the medal of the elder Adams, and that I was quite free to confess that I did not think it such a work as would justify me in declaring to the Secretary of the Treasury that I considered Mr. Leonard such an artist as was needed for placing our coins on a footing with the best of those executed in Europe." I then added that "after this frank avowal, he would take such course as he might deem proper with regard to another exhibition of his skill; that I had no right to prescribe any terms to him; and that if it should unfortunately happen that the new work did not prove satisfactory, a judgment, to this effect, would prove peculiarly painful to me."

Mr. Leonard determined to give another proof of his skill, and produced a die which ~~g~~ presented a copy of the head of Louis Philippe from the five franc piece. The first impression taken from this die was not entirely satisfactory to himself, but he afterwards altered it by copying more closely the original, and his last effort must be considered as very successful, and as proving him to be an excellent workman in this department of art.

It gives me great pleasure to ~~do this Leon~~ ~~this~~ make this statement, ~~but I must~~ of the justice of which ~~he~~ you have the opportunity of judging, as he informs me that ~~copies of~~ impressions from the die have been sent to you. I am obliged, however, to call your attention to the fact that the work is nothing more than a copy, displaying much skill in mechanical execution, but its merit as a work of art depending upon the extraordinary excellence of the original.

This is not all we ~~want~~ want at the Mint. We ~~want an~~ require an artist of taste, judgment, and inventive talent; a man who can devise as well as execute. Any the mechanical skill of the die sinker is even a subordinate qualification, with which we could ~~even~~ almost entirely dispense. If the artist, after making his design, ~~has the~~ be able to ~~execute~~ model it ~~in bass relief,~~ in wax, so as to make a medallion of three or four inches diameter, in low ~~rel~~ relief, all the rest can be done by ordinary workmen. A cast of the medallion is made in iron, and from this, by the aid of the "portrait lathe," a die is cut, which is a perfect fac-simile of the original, reduced to the size required. ~~Some~~ Some of the best medals executed at the Mint, one of Franklin, and ~~those of~~ the Indian Medals of President Tyler, were struck from dies made in this way. The original dies of our dime and half-dime were also ~~made to~~ cut by the ~~lathe~~ portrait lathe, set in motion by the steam engine.

The present incumbent in the office of Engraver of the Mint, Mr. Longacre, has shown, as I think, more taste and judgment in making devices for our coins proved coinage here, than ~~any~~ has been ~~made~~ exhibited by any of his predecessors. He has shown too that he is quite competent to make the original models from his drawings, and he is now engaged in this work. I think that it will be successful, and that he will be able, if not interrupted in his labors, to accomplish the ~~perf~~ improvement in our coins which is so desirable. I hope, therefore, that his tenure of office will not be ~~interrupted~~ inter~~fered~~ with until I am able to lay before ~~the~~ you ~~Department~~, and through you before the President, the evidences of his skill and taste.

R.M.P.

To Hon. R. J. Walker
Secy of Treasy.

New York, Dec 19th 1845.

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for the parcel and letter, which I received this morning they are every thing which I want.

I have received a quantity of Japan Copper from China

This article takes precedence of all other kinds for its purity

You will please accept the two accompanying Ingots, which I shall be pleased to have tried in the Mint, as Alloy, and should you find it preferable to any other I shall be happy to supply you.

Believe me, Truly Yours

Jos. W. Farnum.

R. M. Patterson, M.D.
Director of the Mint.

P.S. I send it by Adams Express & have paid the freight.

Please communicate the result of the trial as soon as convenient if found superior I intend ~~the~~ to raise the price.

Branch Farmers Bank Va
Farmville Decr 19th 1845

R. M. Patterson Esqr

Dear Sir

Yr fav of the 15th instant came with the Statement & Receipt for a deposit of Gold Bullion lately sent by J G Blair Esq Cas. The Receipt will answer all the purposes of a Remittance

Very Respy
A Wayland Ca

Copy.

Treasury Department
Decr. 18. 1845.

P.M. Philadelphia, Pa.

Yours of the 12th inst. has been received enclosing the letters of the Director of the Mint.

There is no question that the dies or any thing of the kind are not mailable matter & as such should be excluded from the mails. I concur with you, however, in the suggestion that as they are for the government, you might with propriety permit them to pass upon payment of postage by weight as mailable matter, but in no other case could it be tolerated.

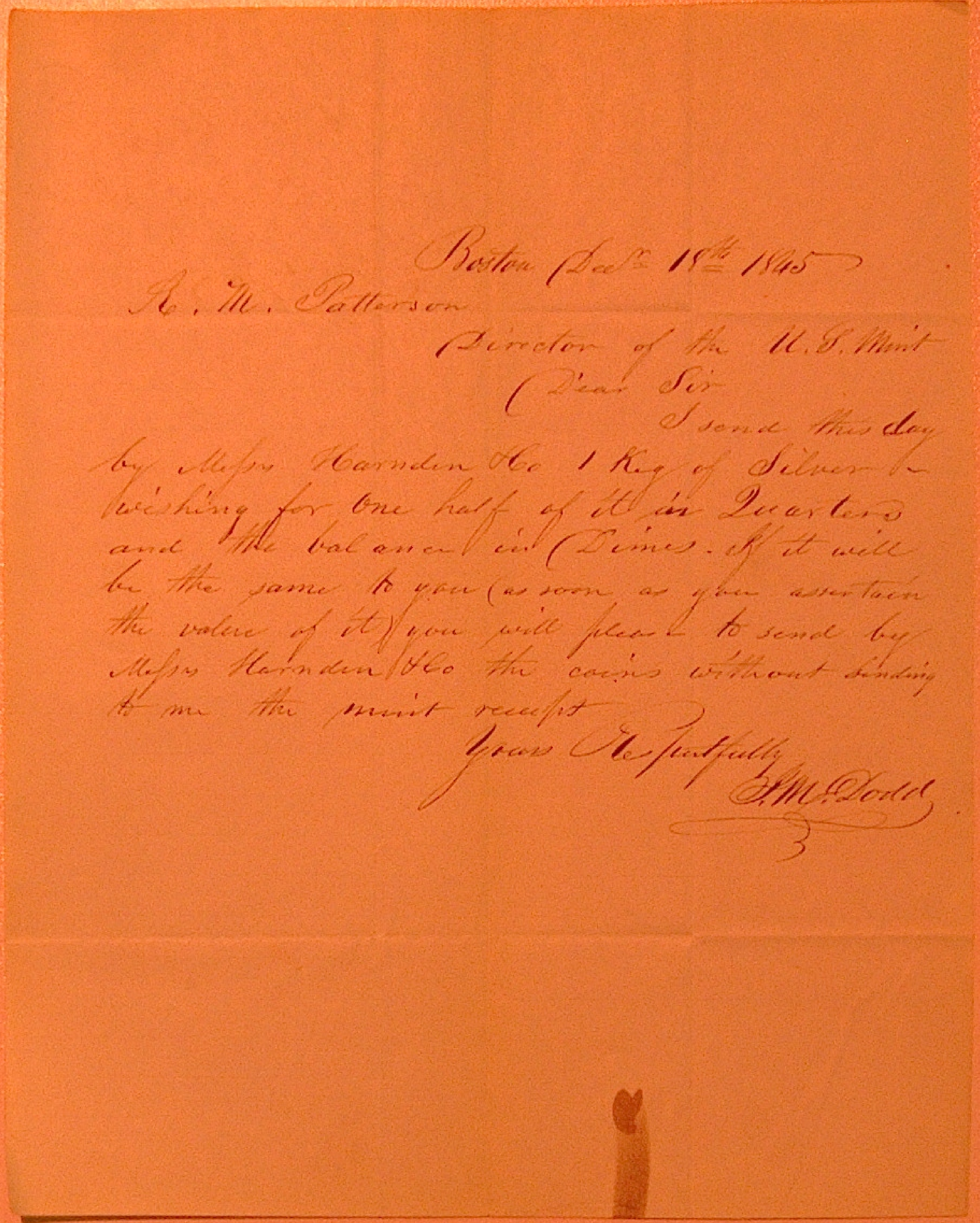
Signed)
C. Johnson

New York 18 Dec /45

J Roach Esq

Dr Sir I recd yours of 17th this morning — have drawn on you at Sight in favor of N. Chamberlain for Thirty 75/100 Dollars — I am sorry to have given you so much trouble in this matter — but hope hereafter to give you less —

Yours Respectfully
Asa C Tefft



Boston Decr 18th 1845

R. M. Patterson

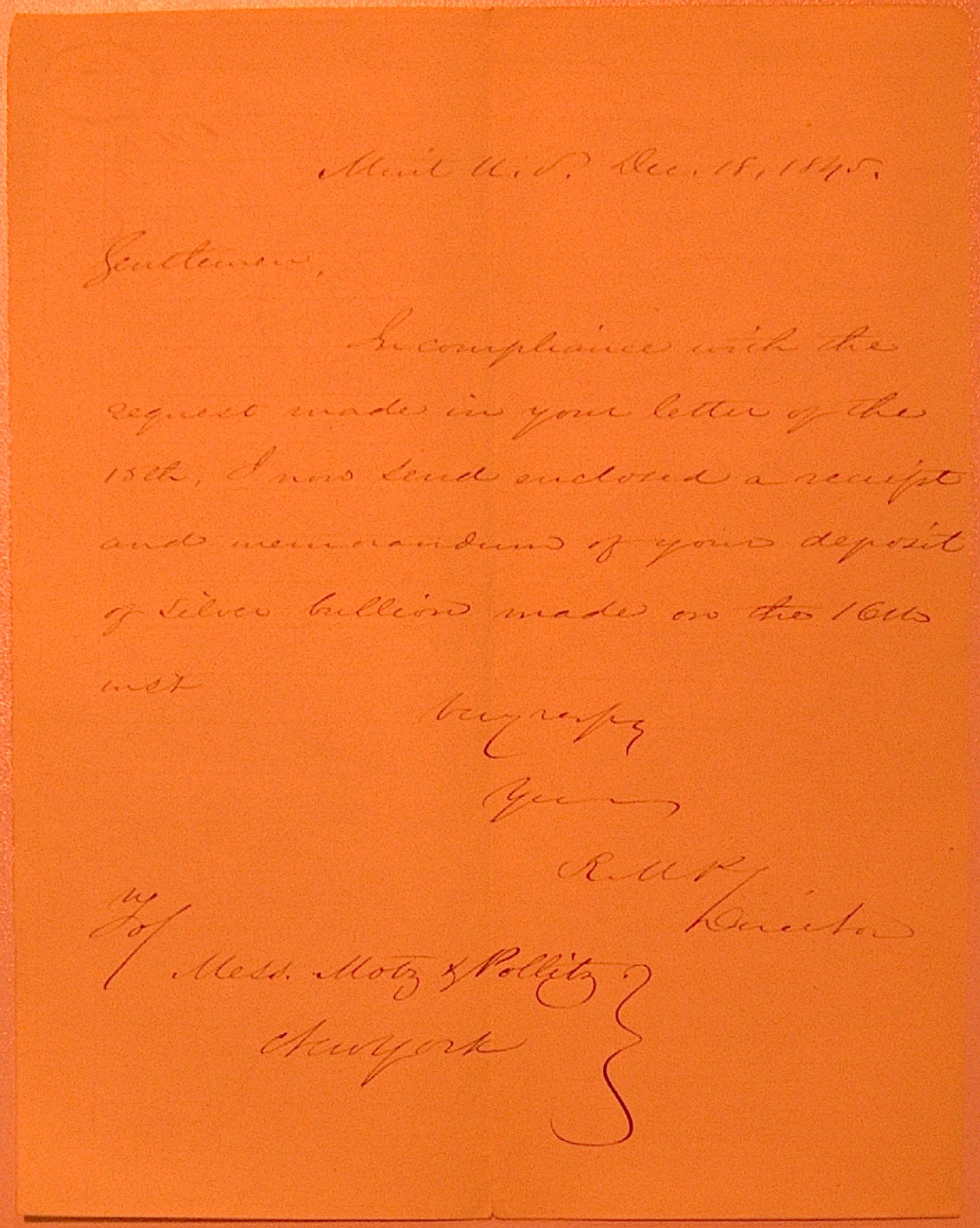
Director of the U. S. Mint

Dear Sir

I send this day by Meſsrs Harnden & Co 1 Keg of Silver & wishing for one half of it in Quarters and the balance in Dimes. If it will be the same to you (as soon as you ascertain the value of it) you will please to send by Meſsrs Harnden & Co the coins without sending to me the mint receipt

Yours Respectfully

J. M. Dodd



Mint U.S. Dec. 18, 1845.

Gentlemen,

In compliance with the request made in your letter of the 15th, I now send enclosed a receipt and memorandum of your deposit of silver bullion made on the 16th inst.

Very respy

Yours

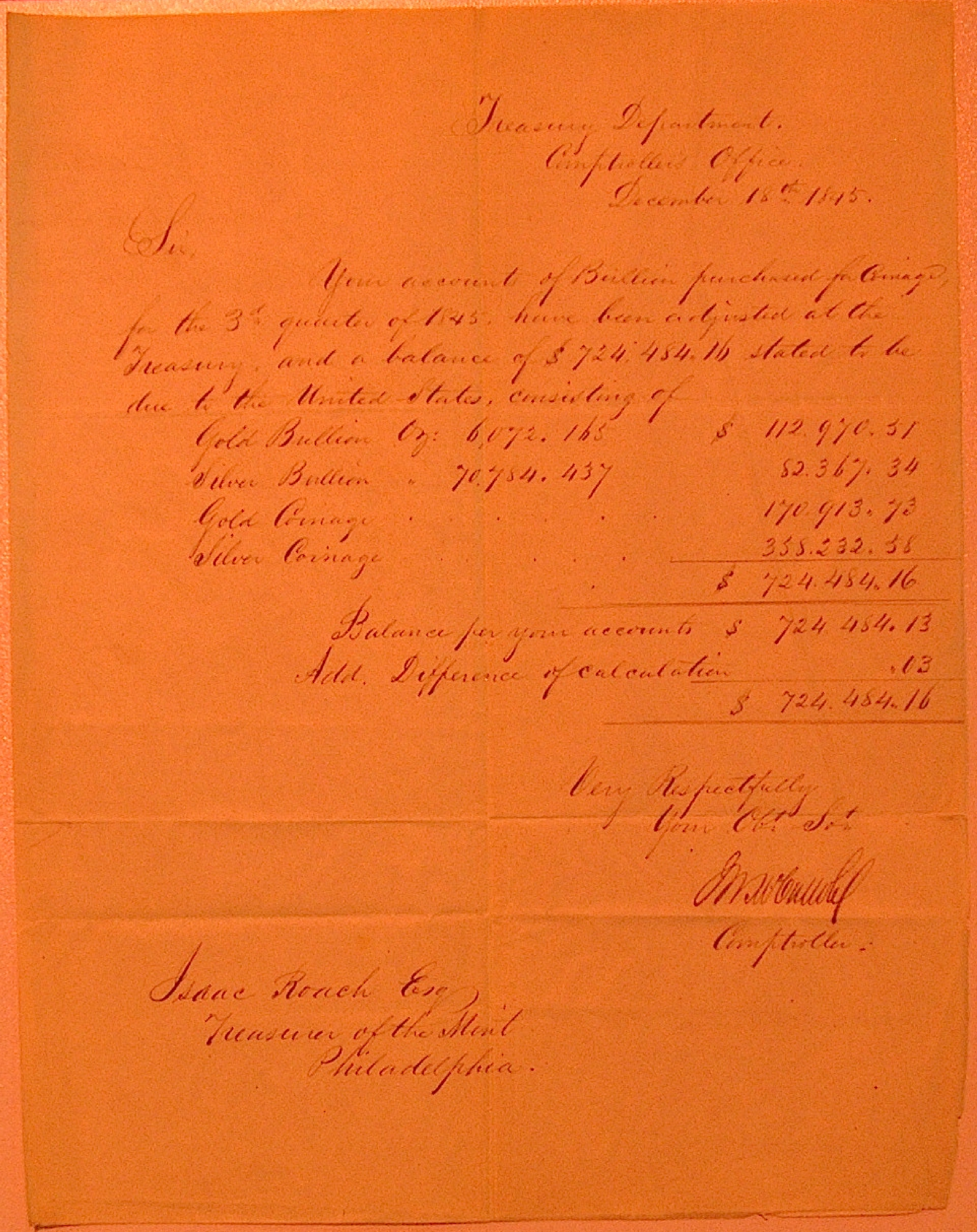
R.M.P.

Director

To

Mess. Motz & Pollitz

New York



Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
December 18th 1845.

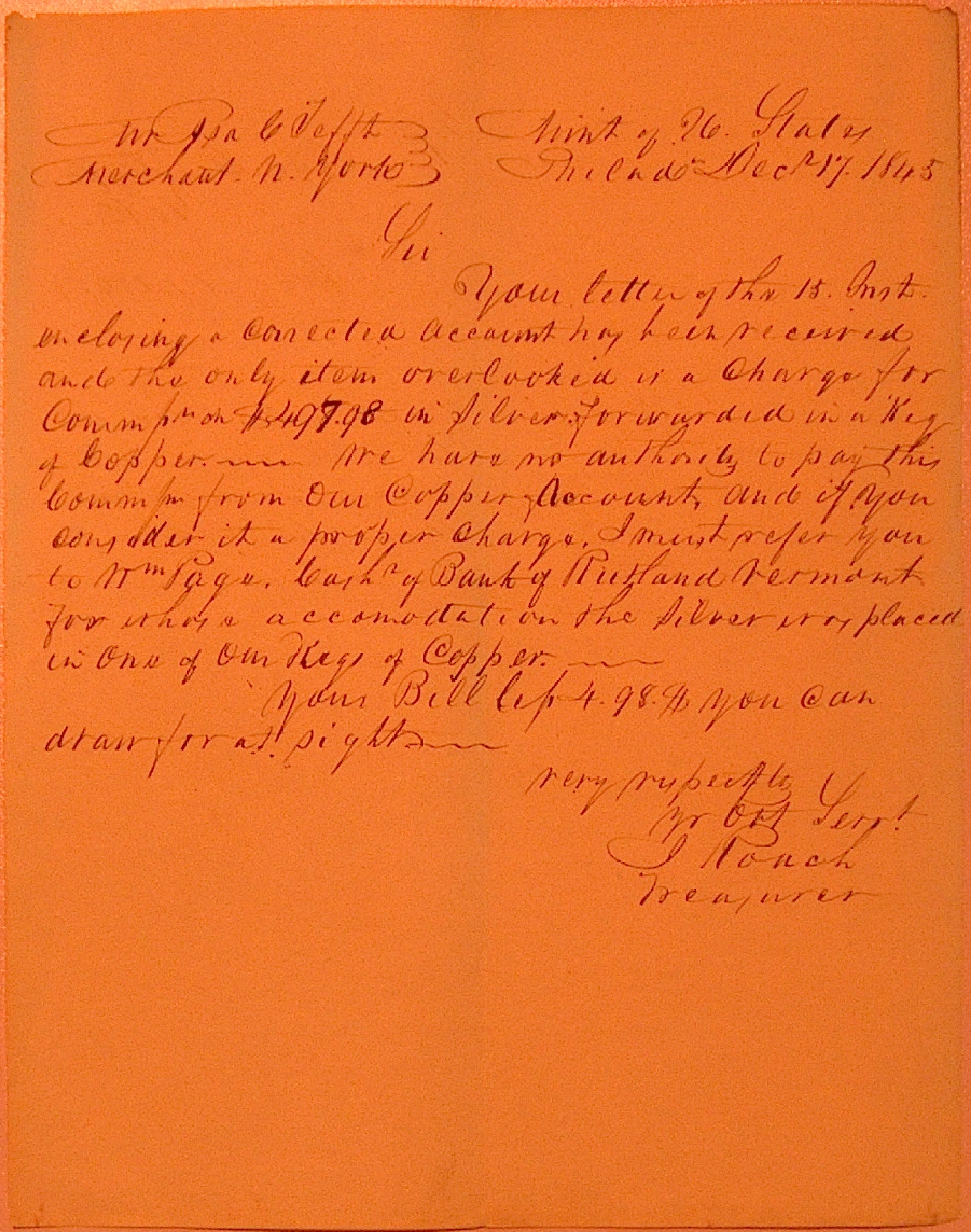
Sir,

Your account of Bullion purchased for Coinage for the 3rd quarter of 1845, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 724.484.16 stated to be due to the United States, consisting of

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gold Bullion | Oz: 6,072.165 | $ 112.970.31 |
| Silver Bullion | " 70.784.437 | 82.367.34 |
| Gold Coinage | . . . . . | 170.913.73 |
| Silver Coinage | . . . . . | 358.232.38 |
| | | $ 724.484.16 |
| Balance per your accounts | | $ 724.484.13 |
| Add. Difference of calculation | | .03 |
| | | $ 724.484.16 |

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svt
J. W. McCulloh
Comptroller.

Isaac Roach Esq
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia.



Mr Asa C Jeffts
Merchant. N. York

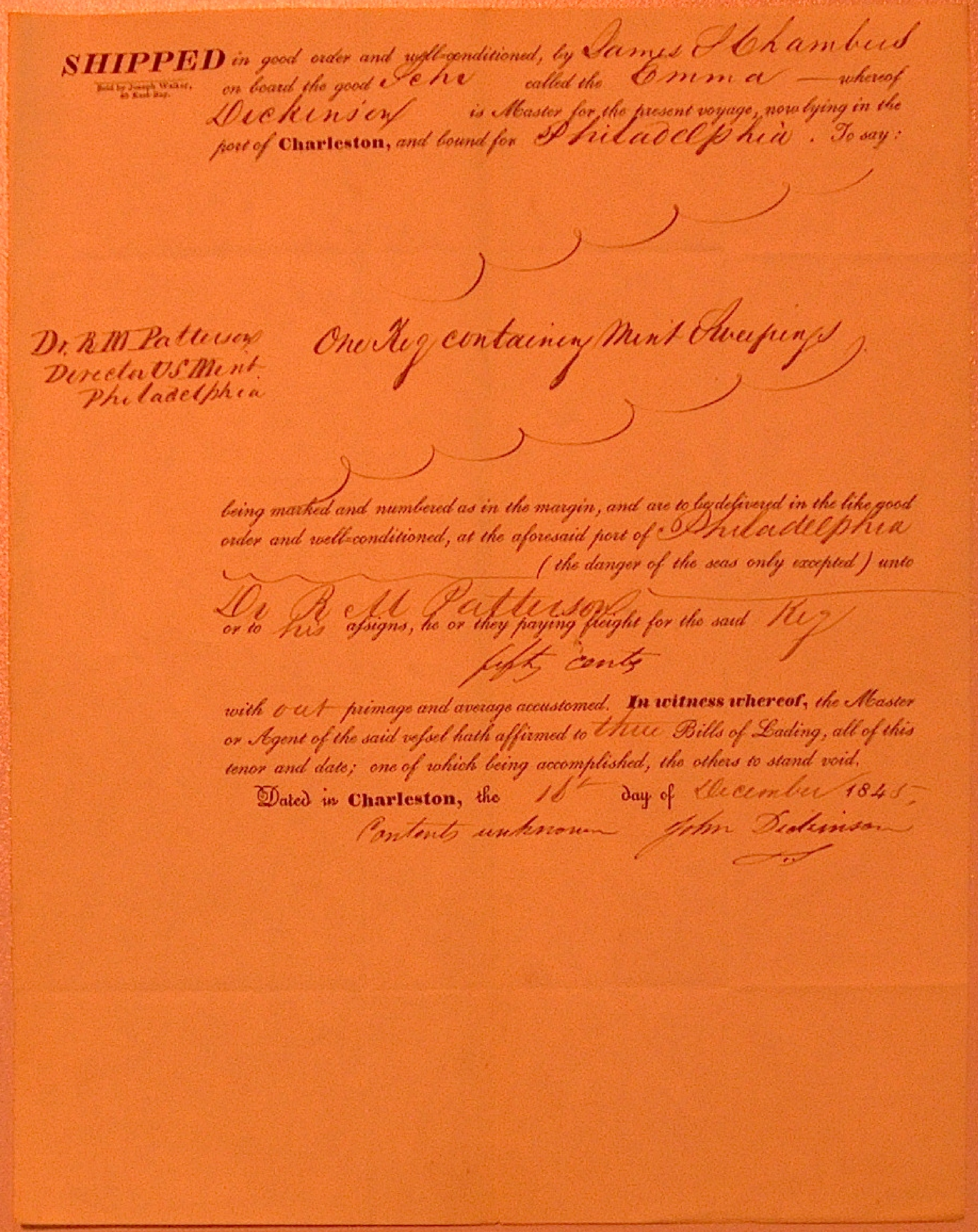
Mint of U. States
Philada Dec 17. 1845

Sir

Your letter of the 15. Inst. enclosing a Corrected Account has been received and the only item overlooked is a Charge for Commsn on $497.98 in Silver forwarded in a Keg of Copper — We have no authority to pay this Commsn from our Copper Account, and if you consider it a proper Charge, I must refer you to Wm Page. Cashr of Bank of Rutland Vermont for whose accomodation the Silver was placed in One of our Kegs of Copper. —

Your Bill less 4.98.% you can draw for at sight —

very respectfly
Yr Obt Servt
I Roach
Treasurer



**SHIPPED** in good order and well-conditioned, by James S Chambers on board the good Schr called the Emma — whereof Dickinson is Master for the present voyage, now lying in the port of **Charleston**, and bound for Philadelphia. To say:

Sold by Joseph Walker,
45 East Bay.

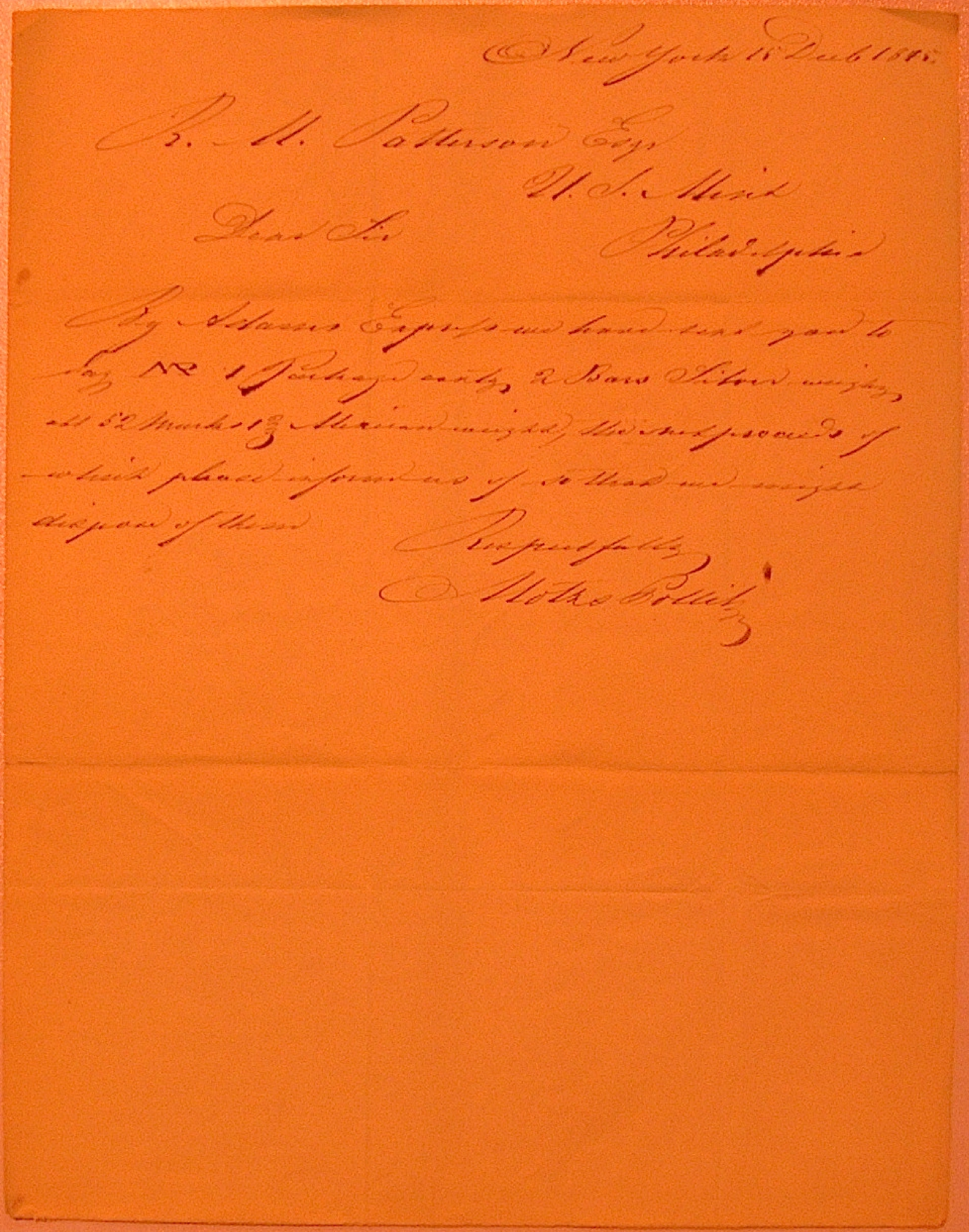
Dr. R M Patterson
Director U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

One Keg containing Mint Sweepings

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like good order and well-conditioned, at the aforesaid port of Philadelphia (the danger of the seas only excepted) unto Dr R M Patterson or to his aſsigns, he or they paying freight for the said Keg fifty cents with out primage and average accustomed. **In witness whereof,** the Master or Agent of the said veſsel hath affirmed to three Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Dated in **Charleston,** the 18th day of December 1845,

Contents unknown John Dickinson



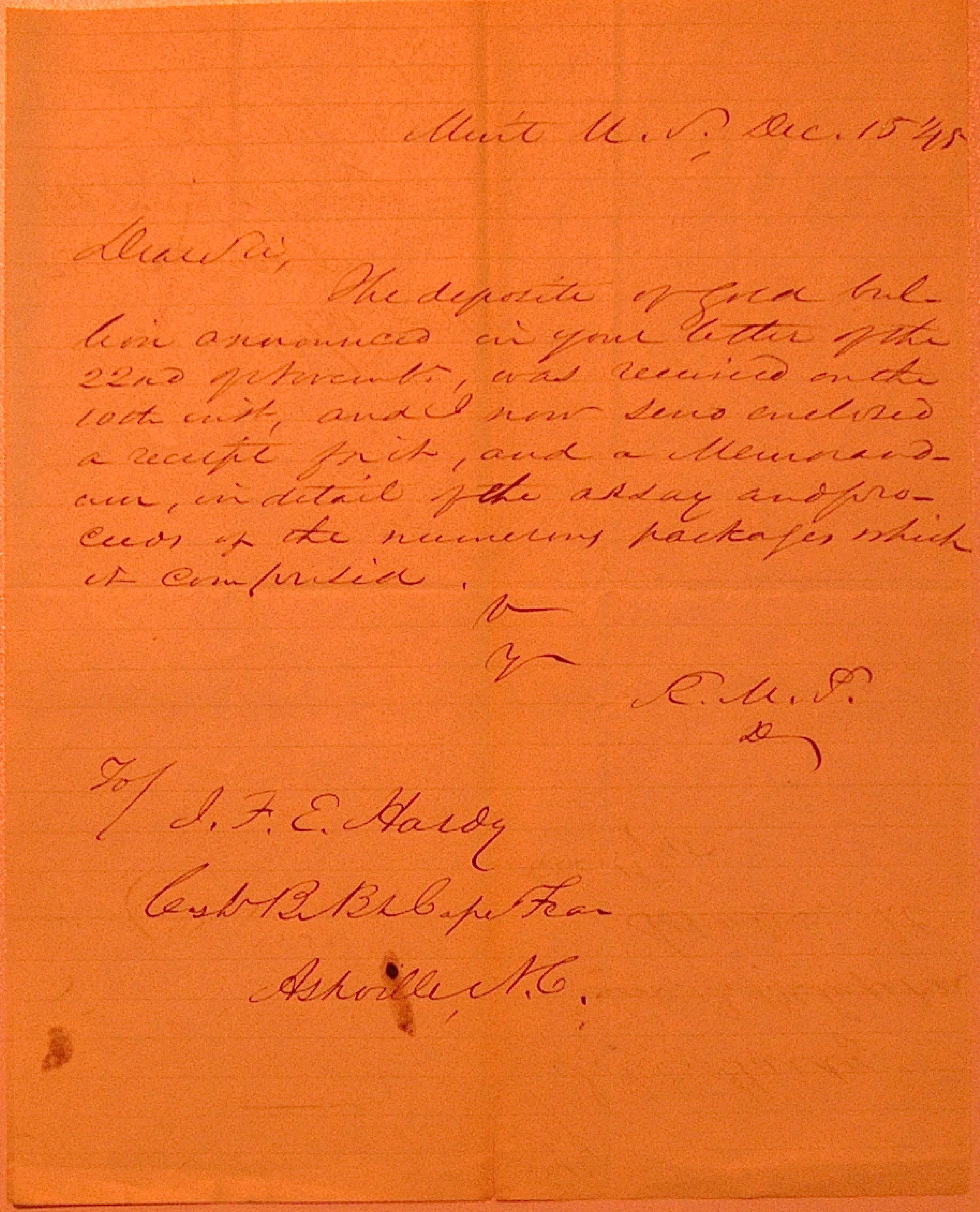
New York 15 Decb 1845

R. M. Patterson Esqr
U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

By Adams Express we have sent you to day No 1 Package contg 2 Bars Silver weighg all 52 Marks 1 oz Mexican weight, the nett proceeds of which please inform us of so that we might dispose of them

Respectfully
Moller Pollitz



Mint U. S. Dec. 15/48

Dear Sir,

The deposite of Gold bullion announced in your letter of the 22nd of November, was received on the 10th inst, and I now send enclosed a receipt for it, and a Memorandum, in detail of the assay and proceeds of the numerous packages which it comprised.

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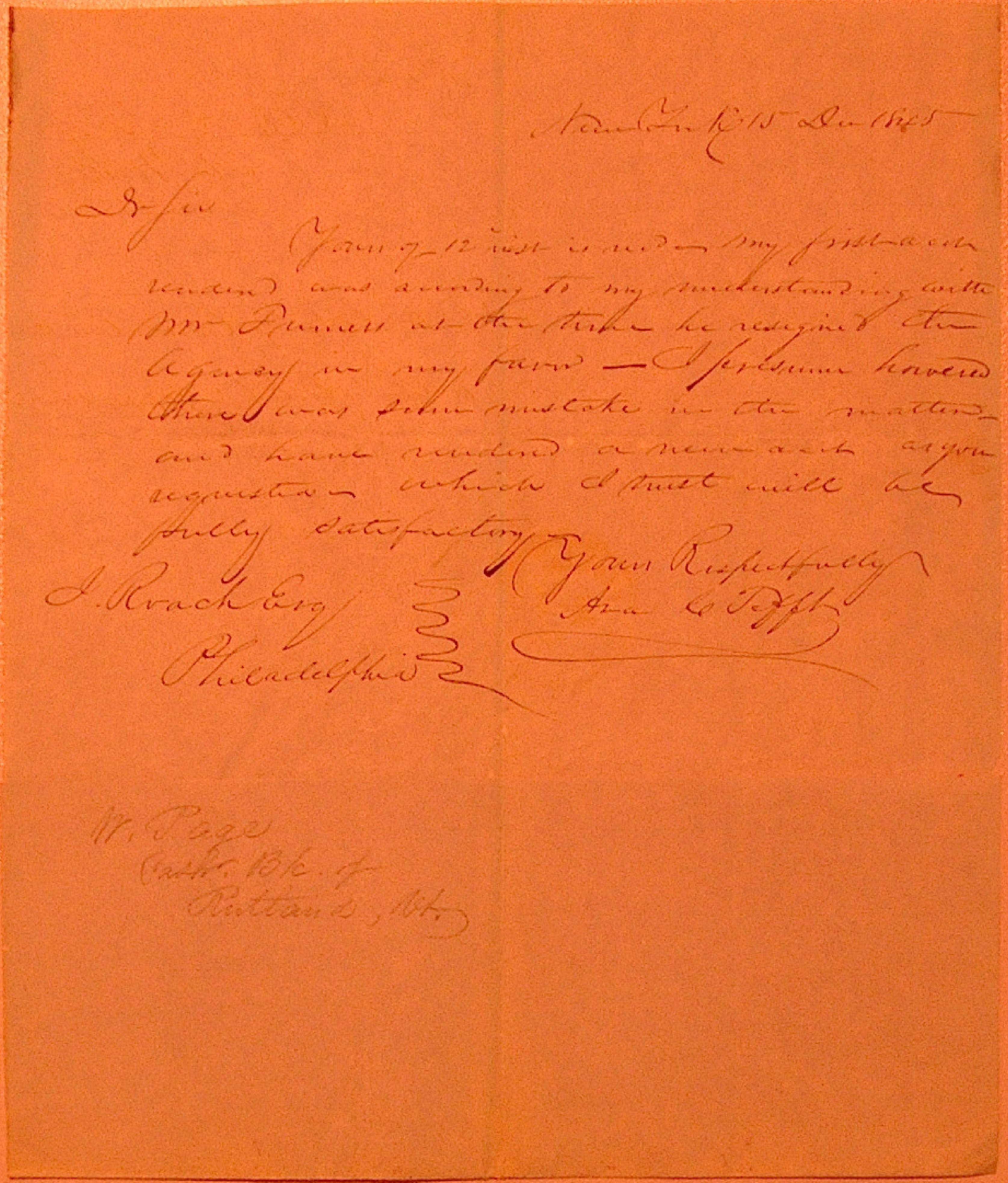
R. M. P.

Dr

To/ J. F. E. Hardy

Csh Br Bk Cape Fear

Asheville, N.C.



New York 15 Dec 1845

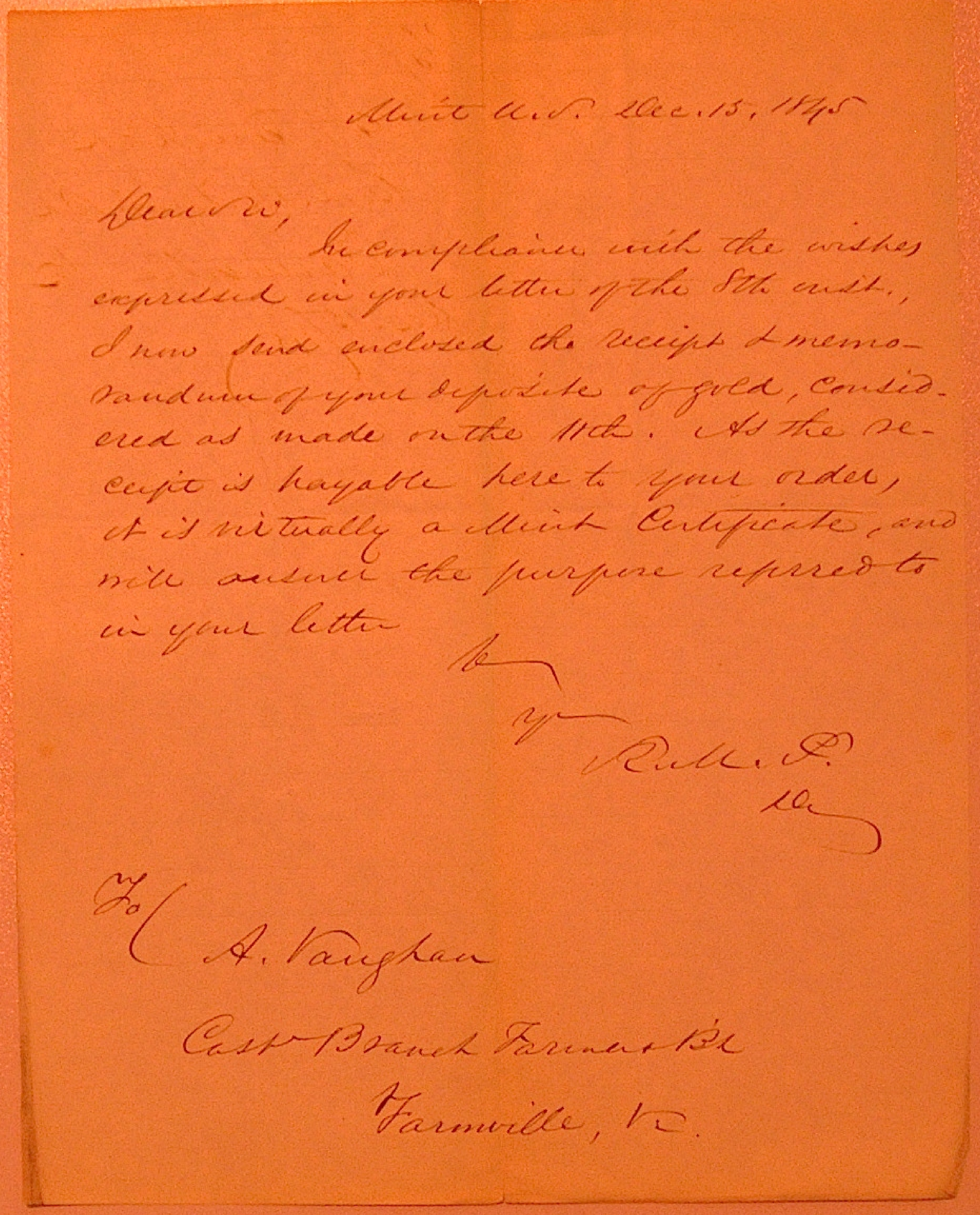
Dr Sir

Yours of 12 inst is recd — my first acct rendered was according to my understanding with Mr Prunell at the time he resigned the agency in my favor — I presume however there was some mistake in the matter and have rendered a new acct as you requested — which I trust will be fully satisfactory

Yours Respectfully
Asa C Tefft

J. Roach Esq
Philadelphia

W. Page
Cash. Bk. of
Rutland, Vt.



Mint U.S. Dec. 15, 1845

Dear Sir,

In compliance with the wishes expressed in your letter of the 8th inst., I now send enclosed the receipt & memorandum of your deposite of gold, considered as made on the 11th. As the receipt is payable here to your order, it is virtually a Mint Certificate, and will answer the purpose referred to in your letter

Resp

yrs

Robt. P.

Dir

To

A. Vaughan

Cashr Branch Farmers Bk

Farmville, Va.

Taunton Dec 13. 1835.

R. M. Patterson Esqr.
Director U. S. Mint.

Sir.

Annexed we hand bill of 16 kegs planchets, shipped from Boston per Brig Michigan — We also enclose B/Lading of the same —

The amount of this bill please credit in acct to Messrs A. G. Willets, New York.

& oblige
Yours
Very Respectfully
Crocker Bro. & Co.

Mint U. S.
Dec. 13th, 1845.

Sir,

I take ~~the~~ liberty of sending to you the enclosed copies of a correspondence between ~~myself and [illegible]~~ the Post-Master at this place and myself, relative to the transmission of dies by mail, to the Branch Mints. You will see that we differ as to the ~~stamp~~ postage that ought to be ~~mailed~~ charged ~~and that I show~~

I certainly show that the packages in question come ~~literally~~ distinctly under the letter of the 531th article of the Post-office Regulations; and with the charges there made I should be perfectly satisfied. But our Post-Master takes the ground that ~~under the law itself, the article~~ the dies cannot be considered as "mailable matter" under the strict definition of the law, and hence infers that if sent at all, they should be subjected to letter postage.

I beg that this important question may receive ~~the~~ your attention, and that, if you so judge proper, it may be referred by you to the Post Master General. ~~If it should be decided that the dies cannot be sent~~ I cannot suppose that he will feel himself so far trammelled by the letter of the law as to ~~defeat one of~~ refuse to us the use of the mail, for a purpose so essential as the transmission of our dies; and ~~unless~~ if they were to be thus sent, as heretofore, I have also to hope that he will see that they come much more naturally under the conditions of the 530th article of the Post office Regulations, than under the the 526th.

R. M. P.

To
Hon. R. J. Walker
Sec. of Tr.

Mr Asa C Tefft
Merchant N York

U S States Mint
Philad Dec 13. 1845

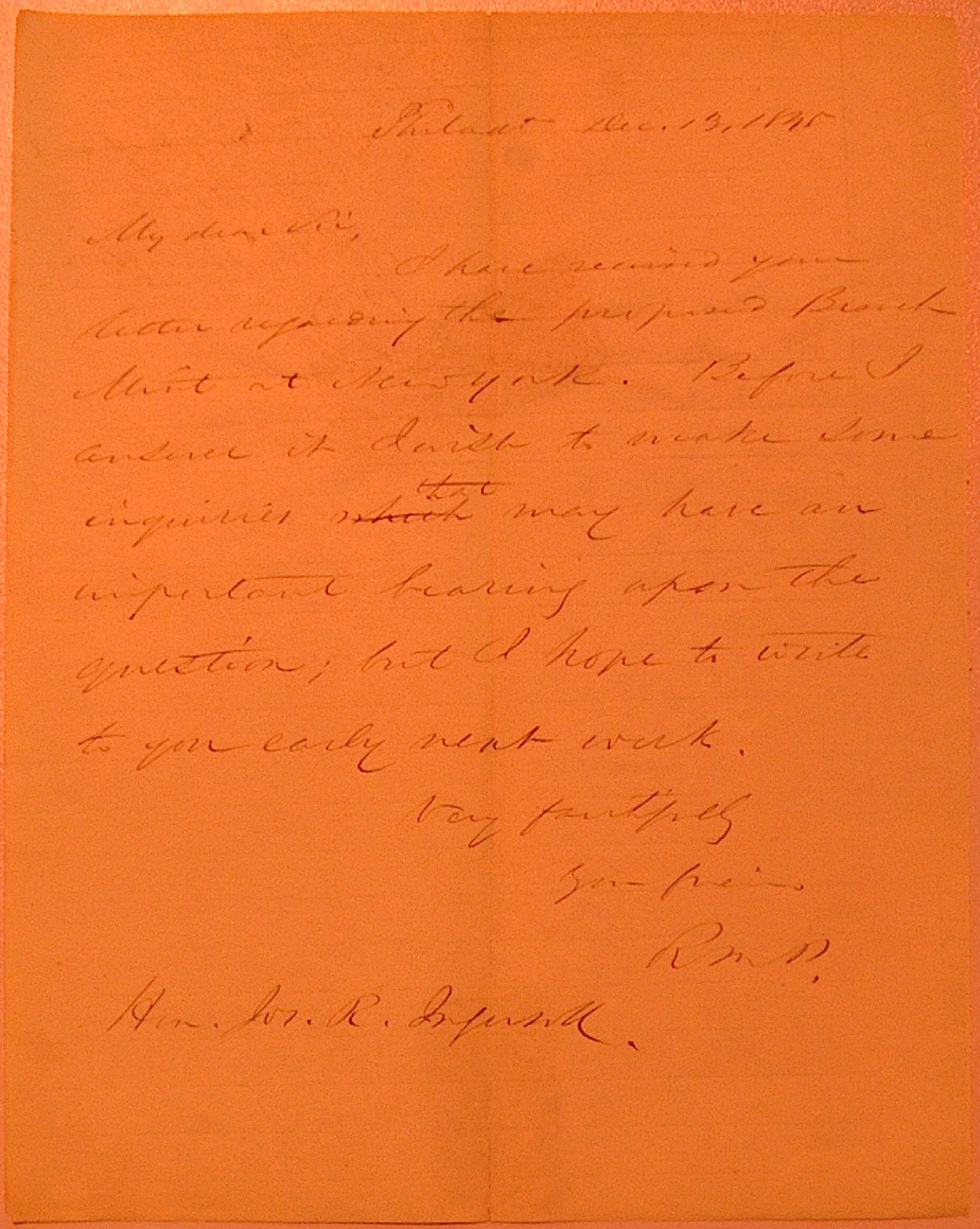
Sir

In your acct received for Commsn on forwarding Copper Coins, we find an error under date of July 22 in which the number of the Keg 370 — is charged as the Amt of Copper Coins in place of 100 $ making an error of $270.00 —

Another error is under date of August 18. a Charge of 37 Cents insurance — By reference to our letter to Mr Furness agreeing to your taking his place as Forwarding Agent dated April 17/45 Doctor Patterson informs me that the Mint pays transportation, but never Insurance, and in agreeing to your performing the same duties as those of Mr Furness the Commission would of consequence be the same — Mr Furness was only paid one pr Ct on the Amt of Coin — A Charge is also added for Commissions on a package of silver contained in One of the Kegs. which ~~at One per Ct~~ should only have been charged as a Keg of Copper —

I cannot but suppose these errors have escaped the notice of your Bookkeeper, and I will be obliged to you for another account which will be promptly settled, —

Very respectfully yr Obt Servt
I. Roach
Treasurer



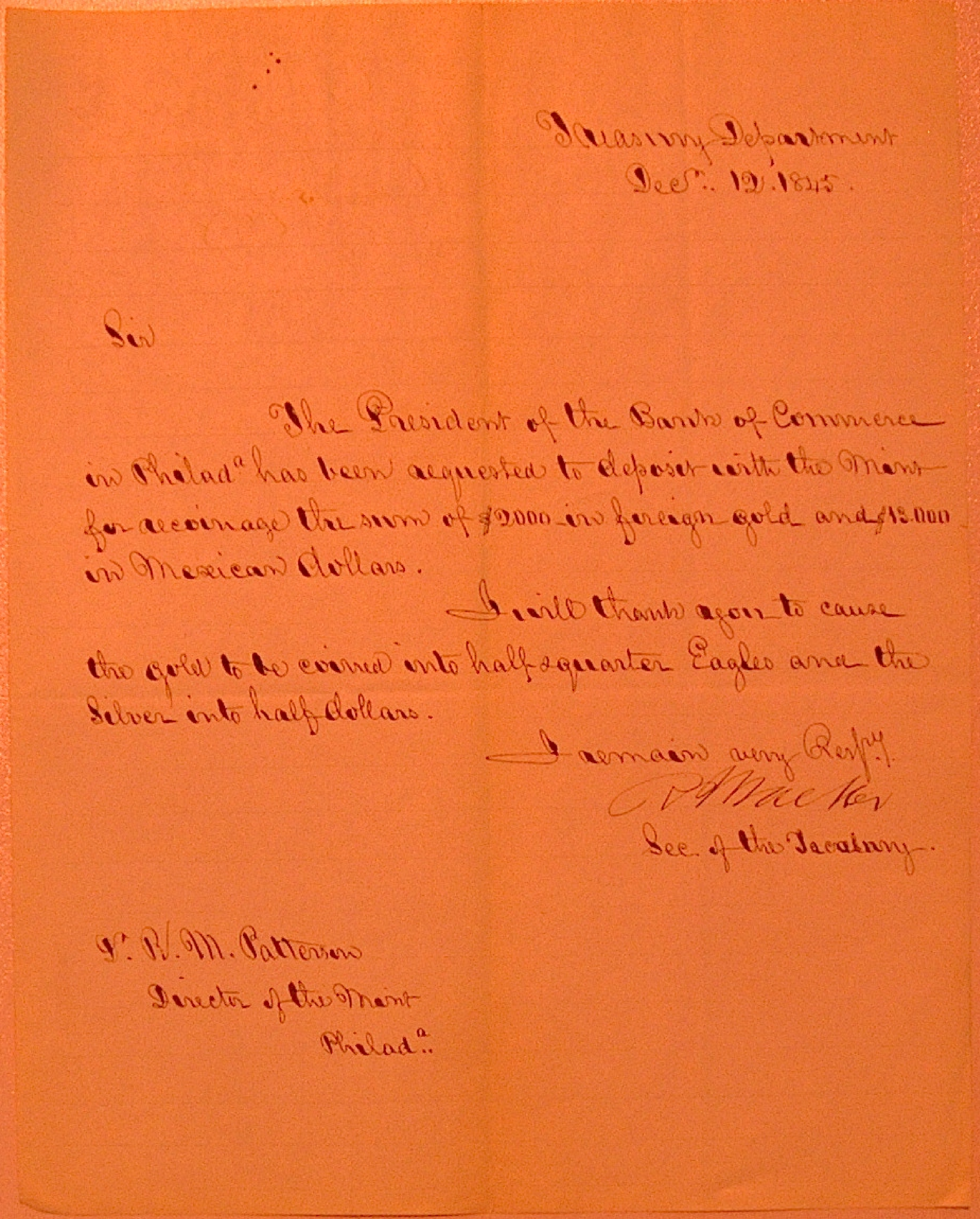
Philadª Dec. 13, 1845

My dear Sir,

I have received your letter regarding the proposed Branch Mint at New York. Before I answer it I wish to make some inquiries ~~which~~ that may have an important bearing upon the question; but I hope to write to you early next week.

Very faithfully
Your friend
R.M.P.

Hon. Jos. R. Ingersoll.



Treasury Department
Decr. 12. 1845.

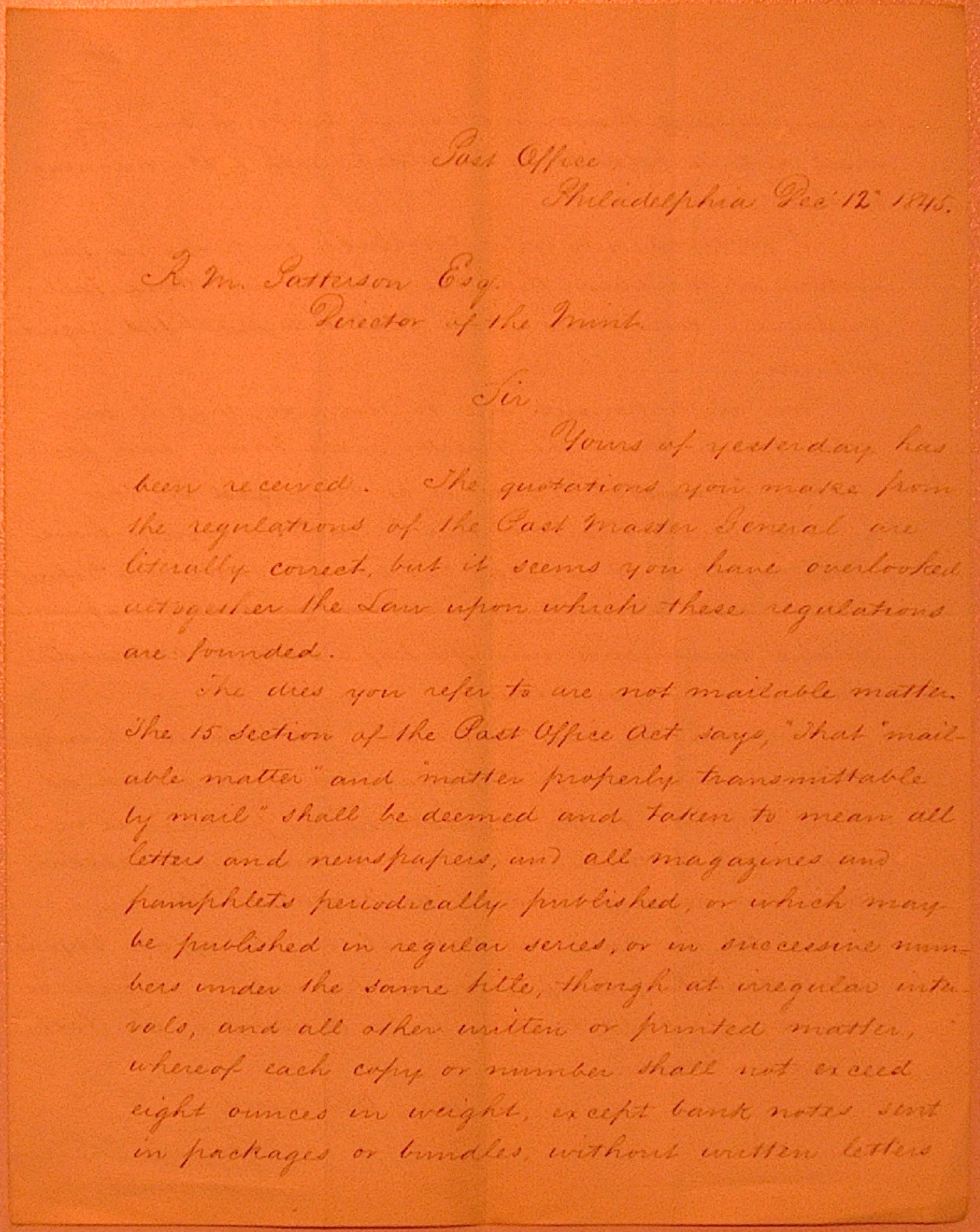
Sir

The President of the Bank of Commerce in Philada has been requested to deposit with the Mint for recoinage the sum of $2000 in foreign gold and $12.000 in Mexican dollars.

I will thank you to cause the gold to be coined into half & quarter Eagles and the silver into half dollars.

I remain very Respy.
R J Walker
Sec. of the Treasury.

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philada.



Post Office
Philadelphia Dec 12th 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint

Sir

Yours of yesterday has been received. The quotations you make from the regulations of the Post Master General are literally correct, but it seems you have overlooked altogether the Law upon which these regulations are founded.

The dies you refer to are not mailable matter. The 15 Section of the Post Office Act says, "that "mailable matter" and "matter properly transmittable by mail" shall be deemed and taken to mean all letters and newspapers, and all magazines and pamphlets periodically published, or which may be published in regular series, or in successive numbers under the same title, though at irregular intervals, and all other written or printed matter, whereof each copy or number shall not exceed eight ounces in weight, except bank notes sent in packages or bundles, without written letters accompanying them, but bound books of any size, shall not be held to be included within the meaning of these terms."

I presume you will conclude on perusing this Section of the law, that the dies do not come fully under the conditions of the 530th article of the regulations.

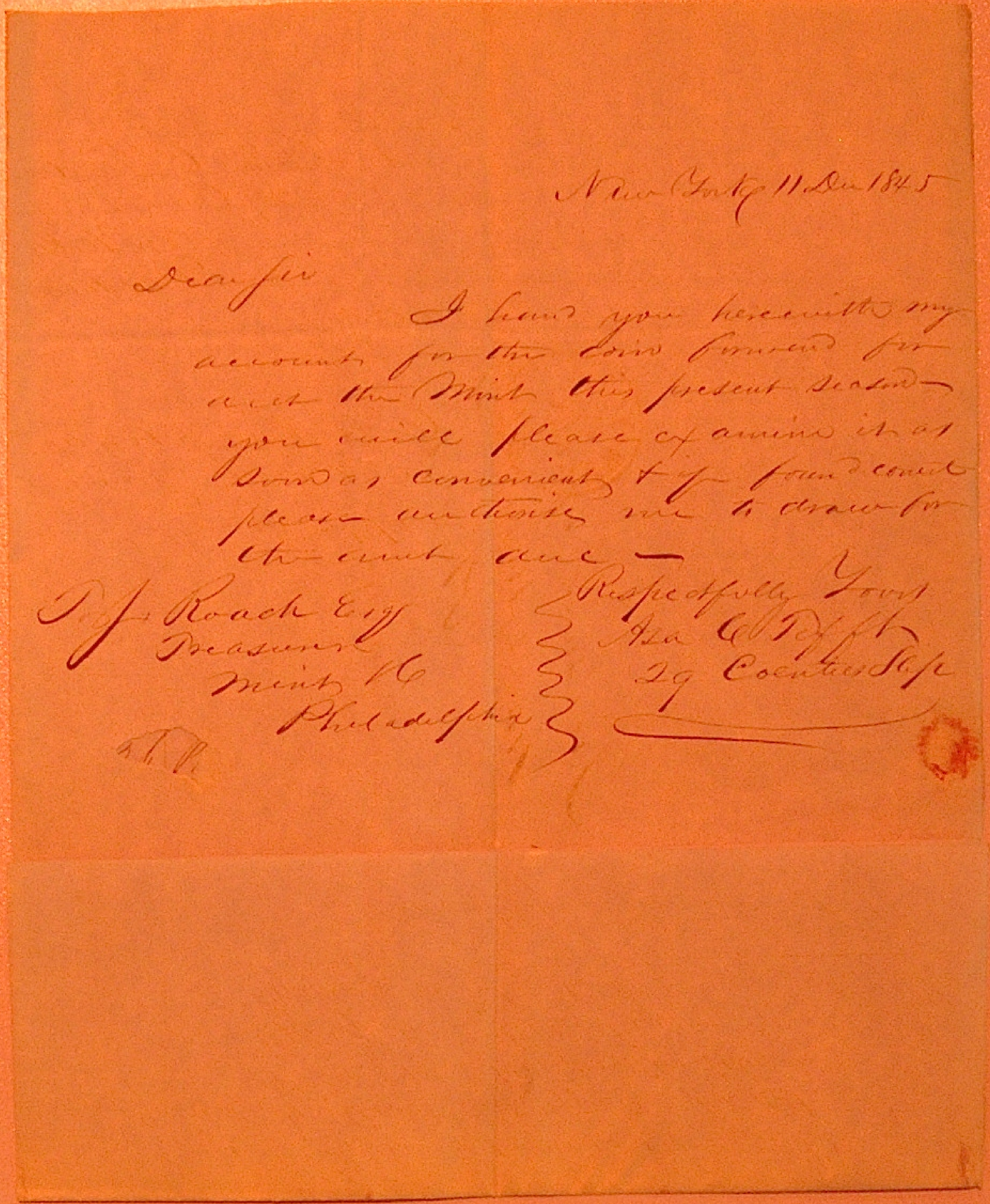
You will permit me to remark, that if any other person than the Director of the Mint, had presented 3 pounds of metal to be conveyed in the United States Mail to New Orleans it would have been rejected of course. but as representing a Department of the Government, from considerations of public convenience and perhaps duty, I allowed them to go in our Mail.

Under this view of the case, I considered it my duty to charge the full postage on the dies, and as your reference to the regulations on postage is inapplicable to them. I cannot discover any reason why this decision should be reconsidered.

As we have no interest in the affair beyond the establishment of a correct principle it will be prudent perhaps, to refer it for decision to the Post Master General.

Your Obt. Servt.

Geo. F. Lehman P.M.



New York 11 Dec 1845

Dear Sir

I hand you herewith my account for the coal furnished for use at the Mint this present season — you will please examine it as soon as convenient & if found correct please authorise me to draw for the amount due —

Respectfully Yours
Asa C. Pelfft
29 Coenties Slip

Is. Roach Esq
Treasurer
Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

To Treasurer of United States Mint
Philadelphia

NEW-YORK 11 DEC

From Asa C. Tefft
No. 29 Coenties Slip
New York
Dec 11. 1845

Recd 12th.

Enclosing his acc.
as Agt. for forwarding
Copper Cents.

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United States Mint }
Philadelphia }

To Asa C. Tefft Dr

| 1845 | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Apl | 18 | Paid | frt on 1 Cask Coin Mkd [U.S.] No 268 $400. to C. A. Cook Esqr Geneva N.Y. | | 3 50 |
| | | | Postage on two Bills Lading | 12 | |
| | | | Cartage on above Cask in N. York | 51 | 63 |
| | 21 | Paid | freight on 1 Cask Copper Coin Mkd [U.S.] No 264 $100 to R. Sherman Albany | | 25 |
| | | Paid | Postage on Two Bills Lading | 25 | |
| | | " | Cartage in New York | 50 | 75 |
| July | 22 | Paid | Freight on 2 Casks Copper Cents Mkd [U.S.] No 368 $ ~~400~~ $800 to C. A. Cook Geneva<br>370 1/2 $200 | | 3 00 |
| | | " | Cartage in New York | 50 | |
| | | " | Postage on Two Bills Lading | 10 | 60 |
| | 26 | Paid | freight on 1 Ca Coin Mkd [U.S.] No 373 $599.08 to Rutland Bank Vt | | 2 00 |
| | | " | Cartage in New York | 50 | |
| | | " | Postage on Two Bills Lading | 10 | 60 |
| | 30 | Paid | Freight on 1 Ca Copper Coin Mkd [U.S.] No 377 $100 to R. Booth Pokeepsie | | 50 |
| | | " | Cartage in New York | 50 | |
| | | " | Postage on two Bills Lading | 10 | 60 |
| Augt | 18 | Paid | on 1 Ca Coin Mkd [U.S.] No 384 $100 to Michigan Insurance Co Mich | | 4 37 |
| | | " | Postage on two Bills Lading | 15 | |
| | | " | Cartage in New York | 31 | |
| | | " | Insurance on Lake Erie | 37 | 83 |
| | 29 | Paid | Freight on 1 Cask copper Coin Mkd [U.S.] No 390 $100. E. Benjamin Cash. Pokeepsie | | 50 |
| | | " | Postage on 2 Bills Lading | 10 | |
| | | " | Cartage in New York | 50 | 60 |

Amount Carrd forward $ 18 73

1845

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Amt Brot Forward | | 18 73 |
| Oct | 8 | Paid Freight on 1 Cask Cow hides 2001<br>No 456 @ 100 to Burlington Vt | | 2 00 |
| | " | Cartage in New York | 31 | |
| | " | Postage on 2 Bills Lading | 10 | 41 |
| | | Commissions for Reshipping &c on $1668 48/100 @ 2½ % | | 41 71 |
| | | E & O E | Dolls | 63 85 |

New York 8th Dec 1845

Asa C. Tefft Agt
for B. W. A. Root

8 Casks each @ 677
1 Cask ______ 577 90

Bank of Charleston S.C
Dec 11th 1845

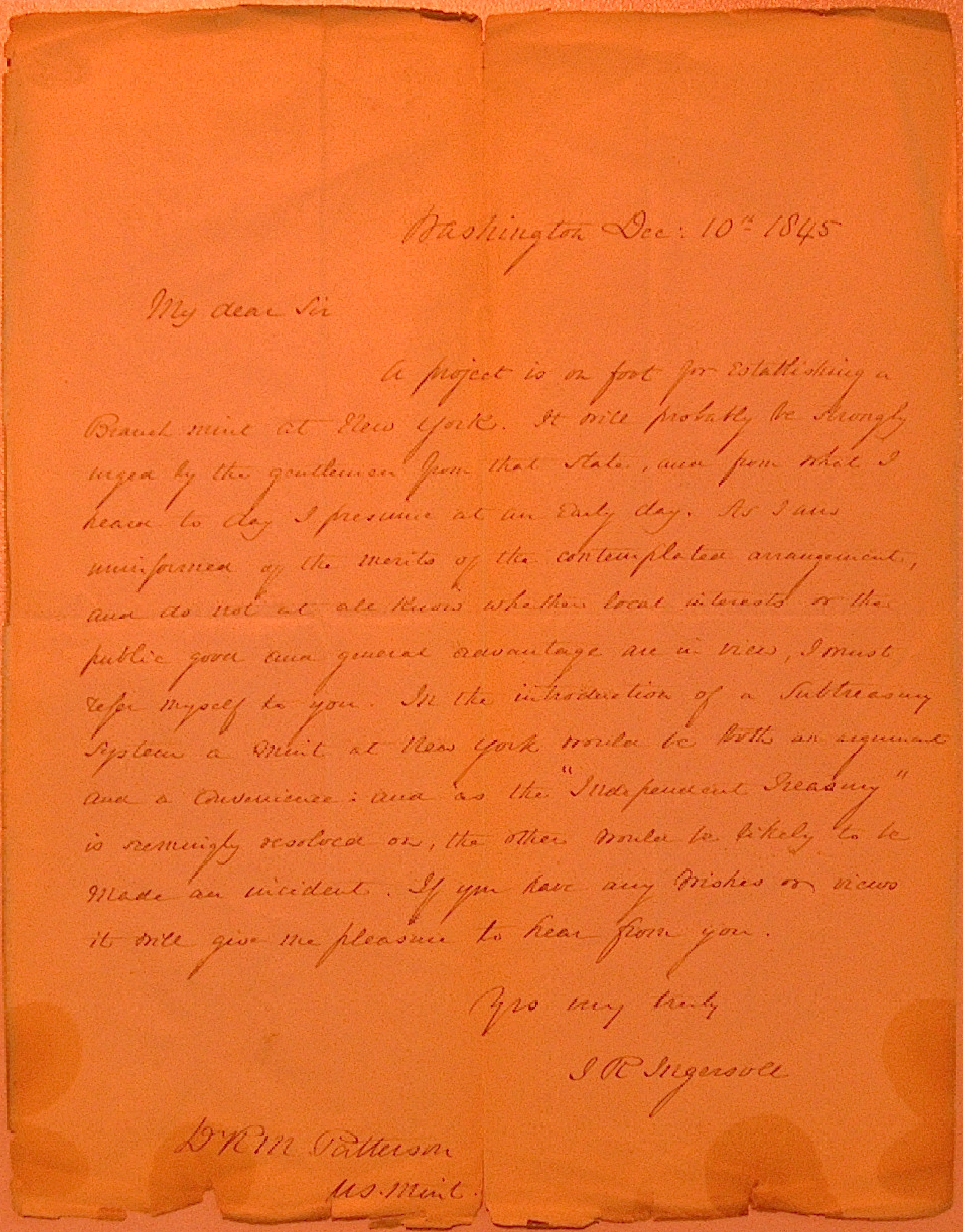
R M Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint U.S.

Sir

Your favor of the 6th inst is received enclosing Certificate of Deposit for the Gold Bullion sent by Mr Hutchison I have now to advise of my having endorsed & forwarded the same to I. B. Trevor Esq Cashier for credit of this Institution —

very respectfully
Yr Ob Sert

A G Rose
Cash



Washington Dec: 10th 1845

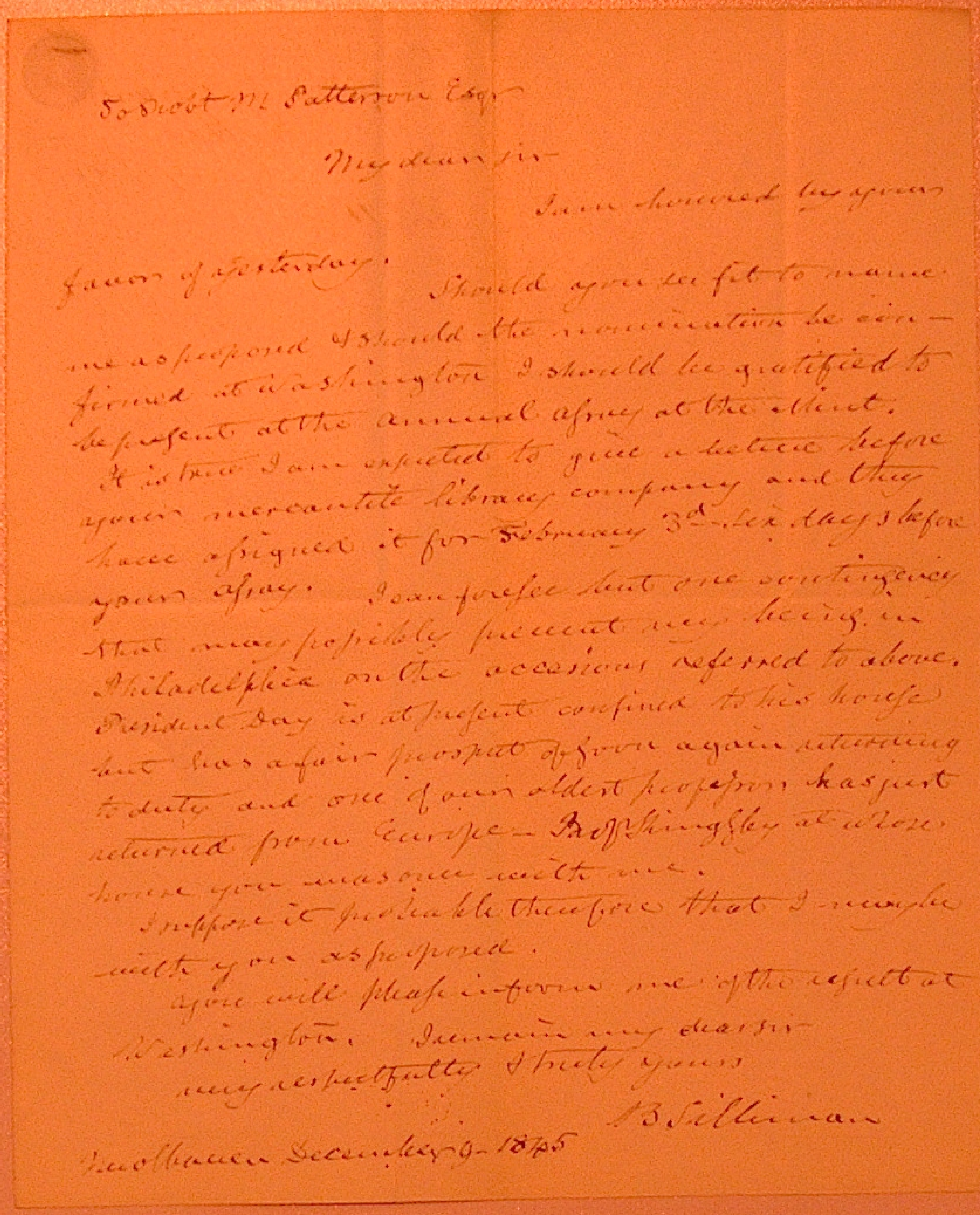
My dear Sir

A project is on foot for establishing a Branch mint at New York. It will probably be strongly urged by the gentlemen from that State, and from what I heard to day I presume at an early day. As I am uninformed of the merits of the contemplated arrangement, and do not at all know whether local interests or the public good and general advantage are in view, I must refer myself to you. In the introduction of a Subtreasury system a Mint at New York would be both an argument and a convenience: and as the "Independent Treasury" is seemingly resolved on, the other would be likely to be made an incident. If you have any wishes or views it will give me pleasure to hear from you.

Yrs very truly

J R Ingersoll

Dr R M Patterson
U.S. Mint.



To Robt M. Patterson Esqr

My dear Sir

I am honored by your favor of yesterday. Should you see fit to name me as proposed & should the nomination be confirmed at Washington I should be gratified to be present at the annual aſsay at the Mint.

It is true I am expected to give a lecture before your mercantile library company and they have aſsigned it for February 3d. six days before your aſsay. I can foresee but one contingency that may poſsibly prevent my being in Philadelphia on the occasions referred to above. President Day is at present confined to his house but has a fair prospect of soon again returning to duty and one of our oldest profeſsors has just returned from Europe — Profr Kingsley at whose house you was once with me.

I suppose it probable therefore that I may be with you as proposed.

You will please inform me of the result at Washington. I remain my dear sir

very respectfully & truly yours

B Silliman

Newhaven December 9 — 1845

(Private & confidential.)

Mint of the United States.
Dec. 8, 1845.

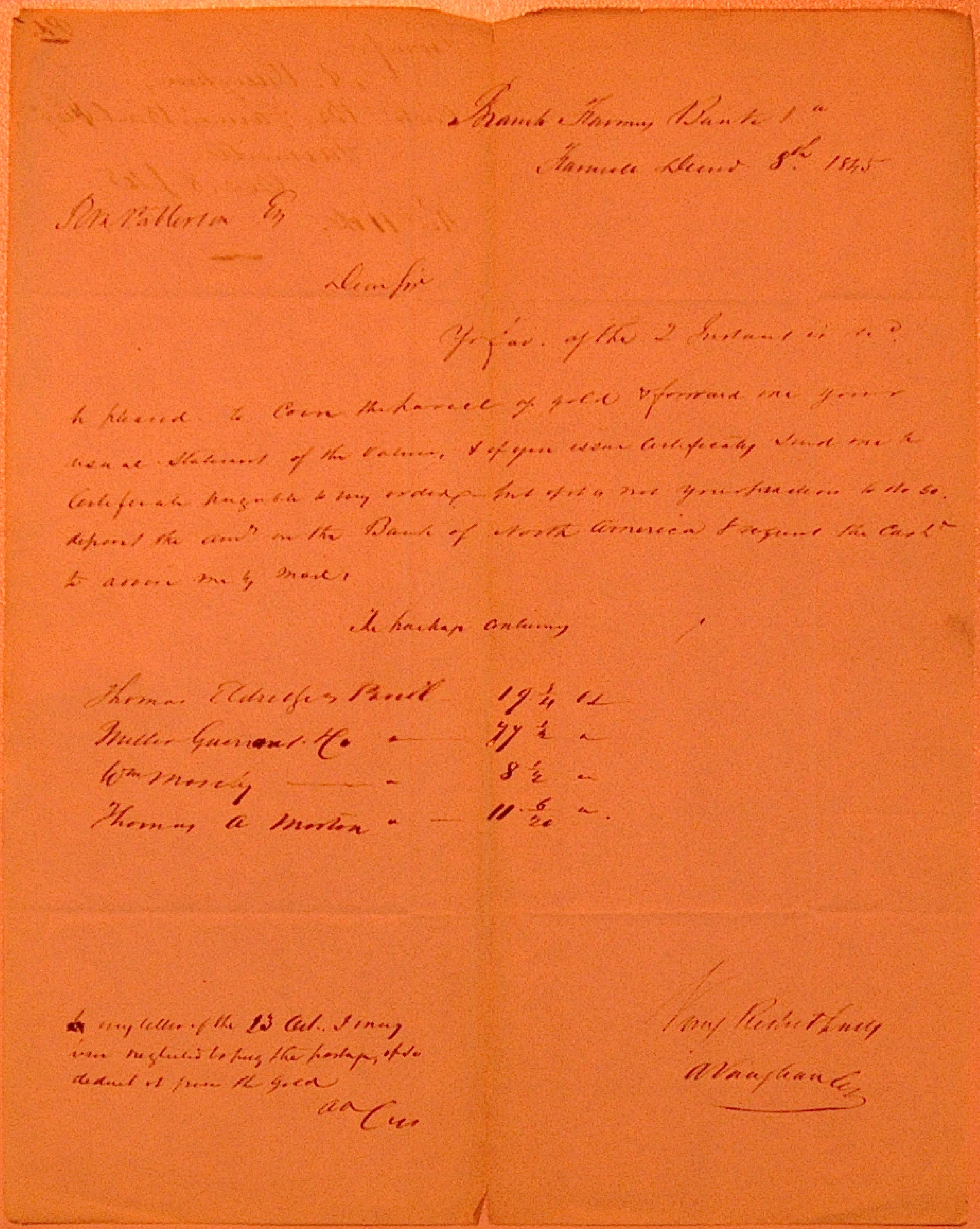
Dear Sir,

The annual assay at the Mint will be held on Monday the 9th of February next. It is my ~~desire~~ would give me great satisfaction to have you present, as one of the Commissioners, on that occasion, and, if you do not command me otherwise, it is my intention to offer your name to the President, for that object. I write now, because I see that you intend coming to Philadelphia to lecture ~~to~~ before the the Mercantile Library Company, and I have thought that it might be convenient for you to ~~fix~~ choose, for your lectures, such a day as would make a single visit suit for both purposes.

The assay operations will occupy but a single day, and you will find them, I am sure, not without interest. I am authorised to pay the expenses of the Commissioners who come from a distance.

R. M. P.

To Prof. B. Silliman



Branch Farmers Bank Va

Farmville Decr 8th 1845

R M Patterson Esq

Dear Sir

Yr fav. of the 2 Instant is recd.

be pleased to Coin the parcel of gold & forward me your usual statement of the values, & if you issue Certificates send me a Certificate payable to my order, but if it is not your practice to do so, deposit the amt in the Bank of North America & request the Cashr to advise me by mail.

The packages containing

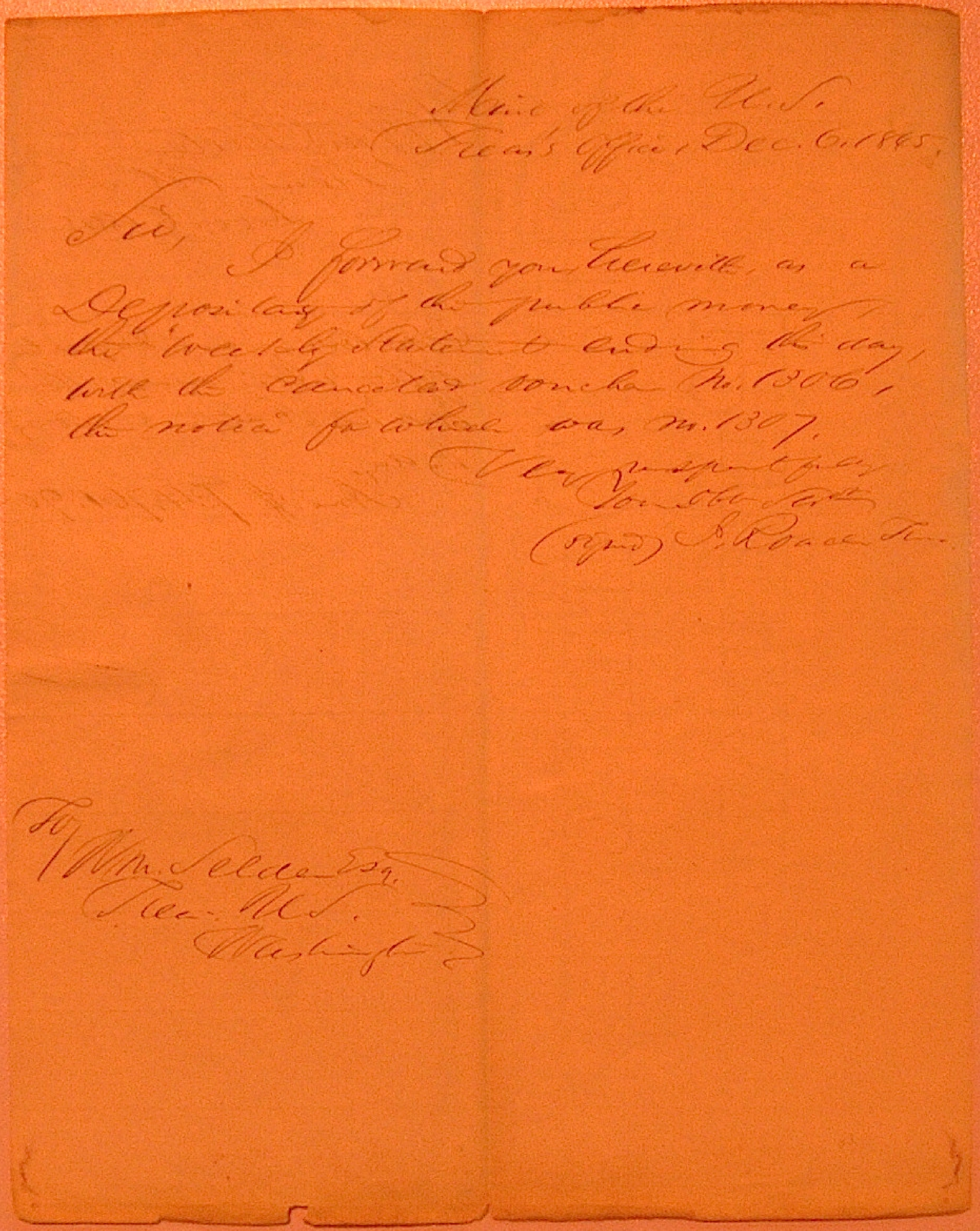
| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Thomas Eldridge's Parcel | 19 1/4 | oz |
| Miller Guerrant & Co — | 27 1/2 | 〃 |
| Wm Mosely — | 8 1/2 | 〃 |
| Thomas A Morton — | 11 6/20 | 〃 |

Very Respectfully

A Vaughan Cas

In my letter of the 13 Oct. I may have neglected to pay the postage, if so deduct it from the gold

AV Cas



Mint of the U.S.
Treas's Office Dec. 6. 1845.

Sir,

I forward you herewith, as a Depository of the public money, the weekly statement ending this day, with the cancelled voucher No. 1306, the notice for which was No. 1307.

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
(Signed) I. Roach Tr.

To Wm. Selden Esq.
Treas. U.S.
Washington

Dr. United States Bullion Account in acc. with Isaac Roach Treasurer of the Mint Cr.
For moneys deposited in the Mint by the Treasurer of the United States.

|  | Dollars cts. | 1845 |  |  | Dollars cts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  | Novr. 8 | By | Balance as per account rendered this day . . . | 784,761 90 |
| To | 50,000 00 | Decr. 3 | To | Gold Coinage, for payment in gold coin, of Treasury transfer draft No. 1306. in favor of Corcoran & Riggs to be placed to the credit of J. W. Davis Speaker of the H. R. dated Washington December 2d. 1845, on the Treasurer of the Mint. | 50,000 00 |
| Mint of the U.S. | 734,761 90 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 784,761 90 |  |  |  | 784,761 90 |

December 6. 1845.

Mint U.S., Dec. 6 /48

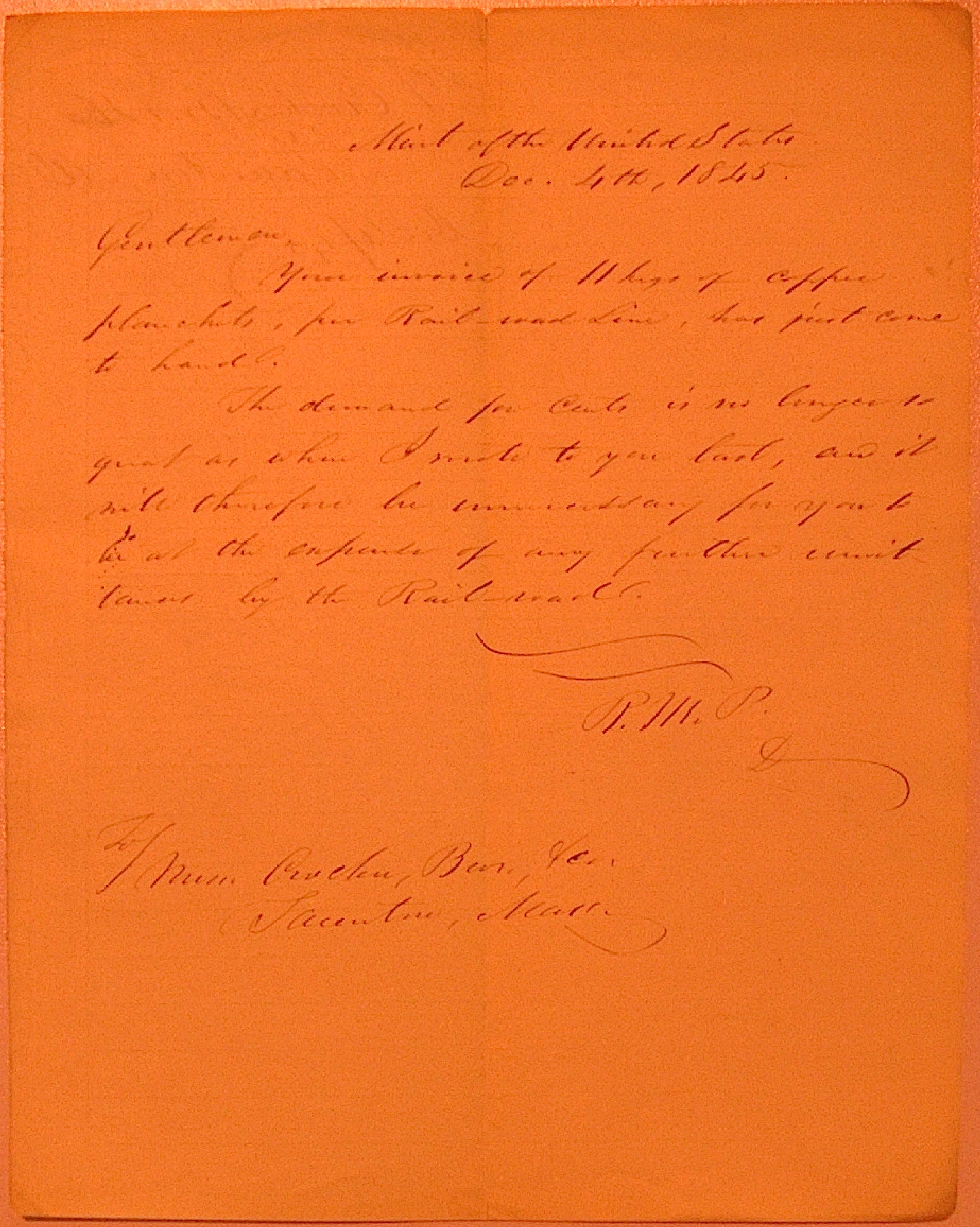
Sir,

In compliance with what I understand to be the instructions given in your letter of the 26th 27th ulto., I send enclosed ~~the~~ receipt and memorandum of the package of gold there mentioned. It was sent to us yesterday by the Philadelphia Bank, ~~with~~ where it seems that it was deposited by Mr. Hutchinson, with an understanding that it was to be [illegible] for their benefit. Having no authority, however, for making out the receipt in their name, I have judged it proper to leave it to you, to ~~endorse~~ make it payable to them, by your order, ~~if you think~~ if such be the understanding between you.

R. M. P.

To

A. G. Rose, Esq.
Cash'r Bank of
Charleston, S.C.



Mint of the United States
Dec. 4th, 1845.

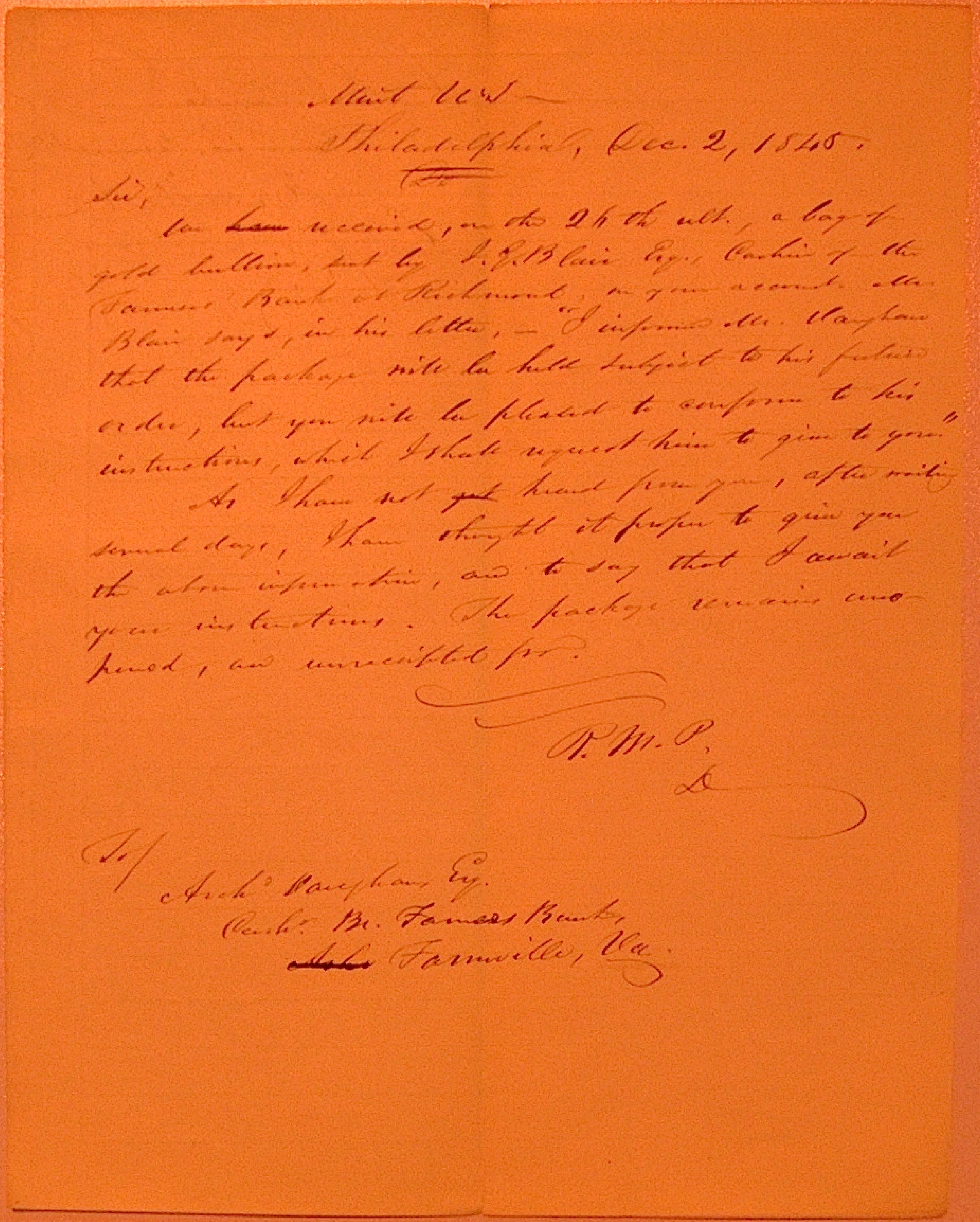
Gentlemen,

Your invoice of 11 kegs of copper planchets, per Rail-road Line, has just come to hand.

The demand for Cents is no longer so great as when I wrote to you last, and it will therefore be unnecessary for you to be at the expense of any further remittance by the Rail-road.

R. M. P.

To/ Messrs. Crocker, Bros. & Co.
Taunton, Mass.



Mint U.S. —

Philadelphia, Dec. 2, 1848.

Sir,

We ~~have~~ received, on the 24th ult., a bag of gold bullion, sent by J. G. Blair Esqr, Cashier of the Farmers' Bank at Richmond, on your account. Mr. Blair says, in his letter, — "I inform Mr. Vaughan that the package will be held subject to his future order, but you will be pleased to conform to his instructions, which I shall request him to give to you."

As I have not ~~yet~~ heard from you, after waiting several days, I have thought it proper to give you the above information, and to say that I await your instructions. The package remains unopened, and unreceipted for.

R. M. P.,
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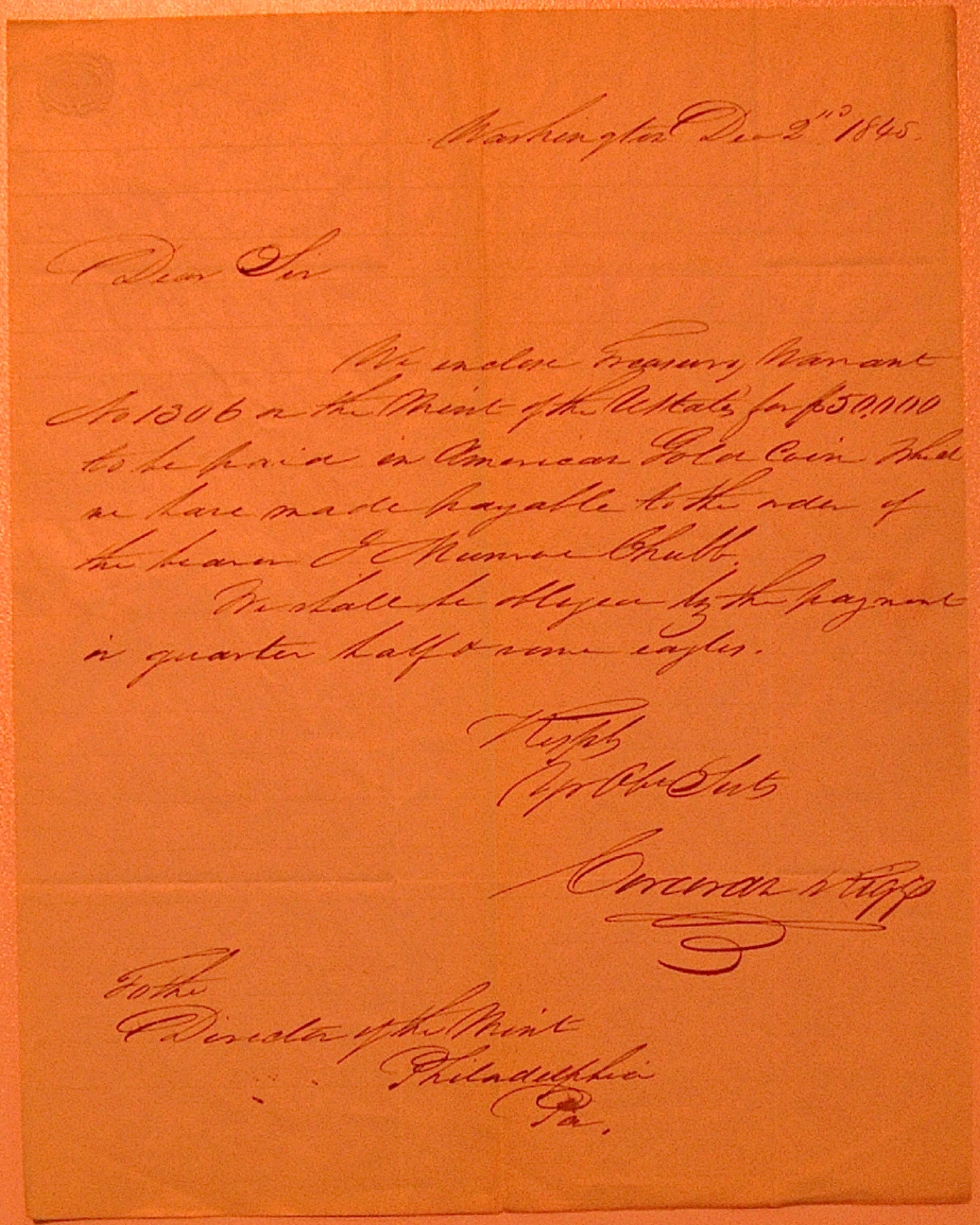
To/
Archd. Vaughan Esq.
Cash. Br. Farmers Bank,
~~[illegible]~~ Farmville, Va.



Washington Dec 2d 1845.

Dear Sir

We enclose Treasury Warrant No 1306 on the Mint of the U States for $50,000 to be paid in American Gold Coin which we have made payable to the order of the bearer J. Munroe Chubb.

We shall be obliged by the payment in quarter half & some eagles.

Respy
Yr Obt Servts

Corcoran & Riggs

To the
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia
Pa.

Mint of the United States, Philadelphia
2 ~~Nov~~ Decr 1845

Draft 1307. Corcoran & Riggs Agts $50.000—

Taunton Dec. 1. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director.

Dear Sir.

Annexed we hand bill of 11 kegs planchets forwarded by express, which we hope may be received in good time —

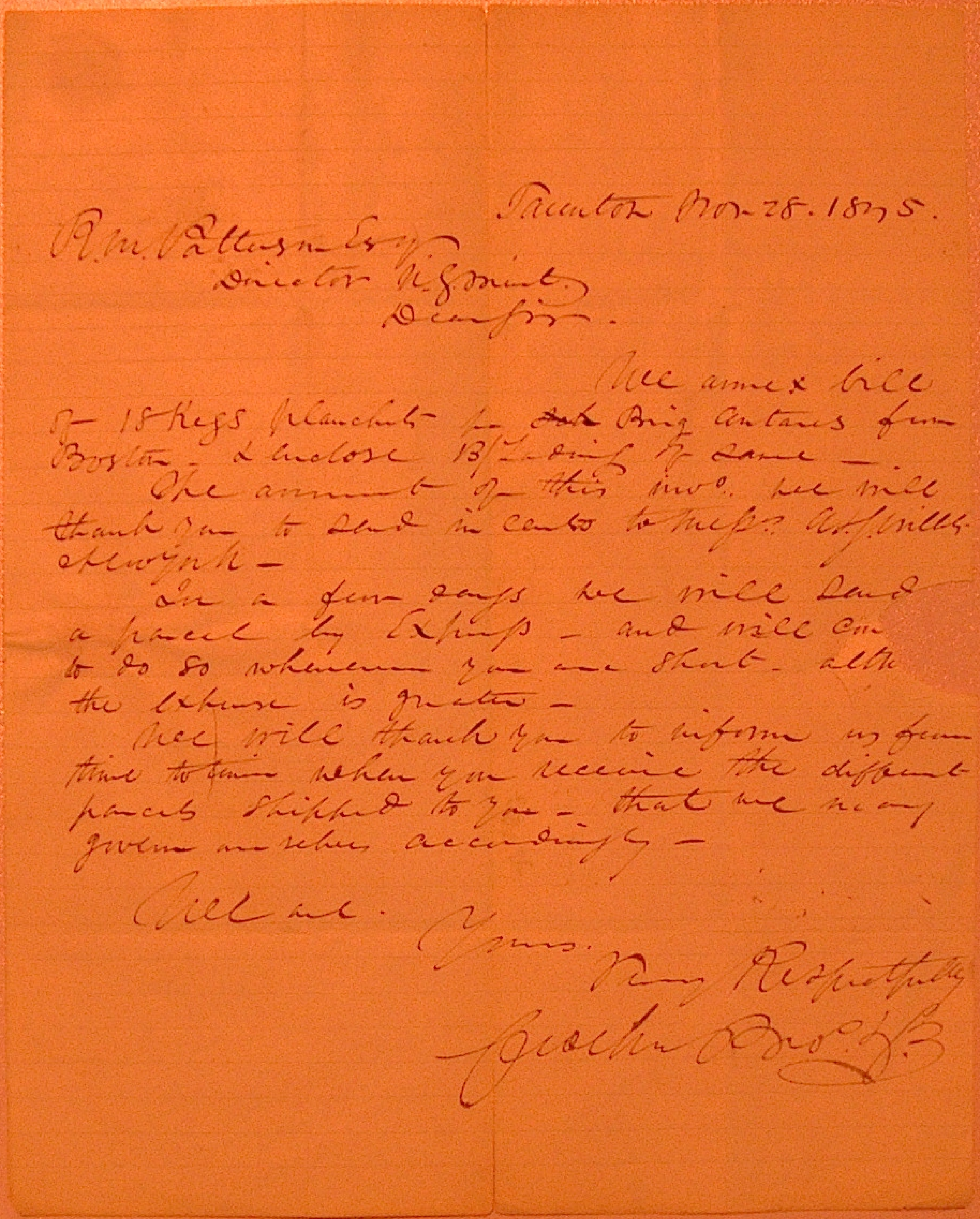
Please ship amount of this bill $844.80. in cents, per Messrs. H W Hooper. Boston —

Yours
Very Respy
Crocker Bros. & Co.

Invoice of 11 Kegs Copper Planchets sent pr R. Road Line to the United States Mint by Crocker Bros & Co Taunton.

Say 11 Kegs Copper Planchets
C. No 70 @ 80. 240 lb ea 2.640 lb

Taunton Novr 29. 1825.
Crocker Bros & Co
pr Timothy Gordon



Taunton Nov. 28. 1835.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U.S. Mint
Dear Sir.

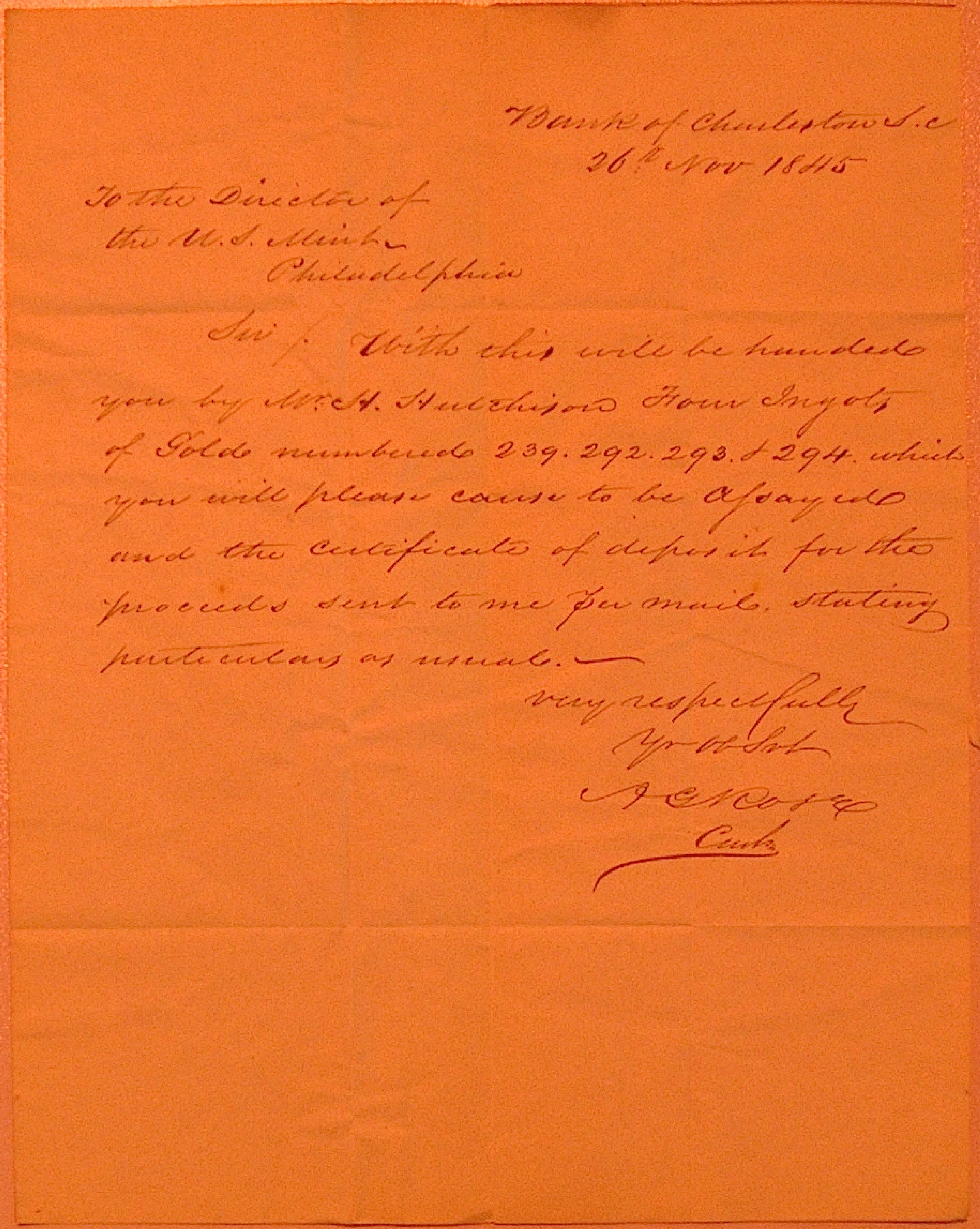
We annex bill of 18 kegs planchets per ~~Sch~~ Brig Antares from Boston — & enclose B/Lading of same —

The amount of this invo. we will thank you to send in cents to Messrs. A. S. Willets New York —

In a few days we will send a parcel by Express — and will con to do so whenever you are short — altho the expense is greater —

We will thank you to inform us from time to time when you receive the different parcels shipped to you — that we may govern ourselves accordingly —

We are.
Yours.
Very Respectfully
Crocker Bros. & Co.



Bank of Charleston S.C
26th Nov 1845

To the Director of
the U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Sir / With this will be handed you by Mr H. Hutchison Four Ingots of Gold numbered 239. 292. 293. & 294. which you will please cause to be Assayed and the certificate of deposit for the proceeds sent to me per mail. stating particulars as usual. —

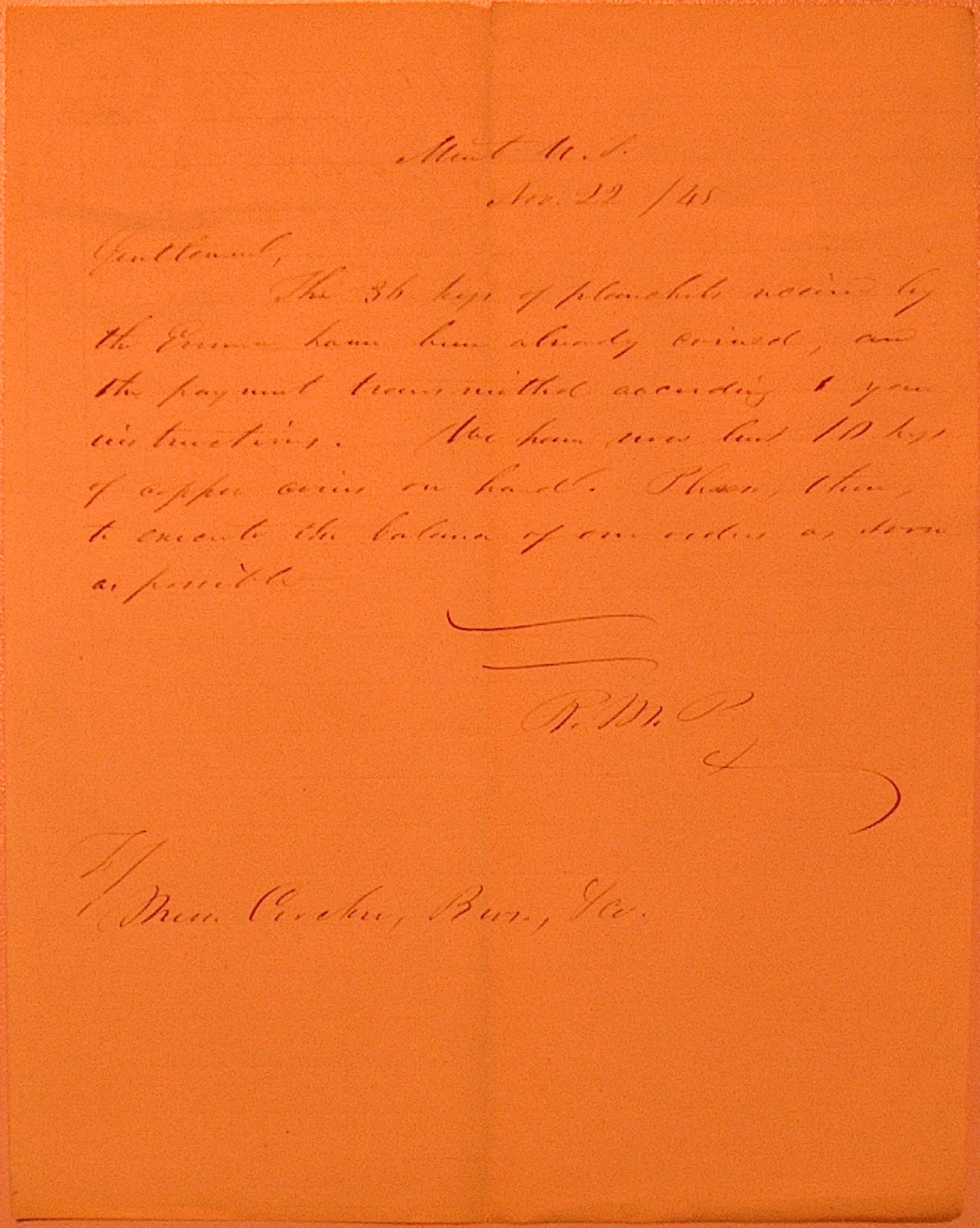
very respectfully
Yr Ob Svt
A G Coffin
Cash.

Taunton Nov 24th 1845

R. M. Paterson Esq
Director U S Mint
Dear Sir

You have herewith B/Lading & an receipted bill of 15 Kegs Planchets shipped via Boston per Brig Sulla, the amount of which please forward to Mess H. N. Hooper & Co Boston
& oblige
Yours Truly
Crocker Bros & Co
p Timothy Gordon

Your favours of the 15th & 19th are at hand & hope the above shipment will give equal satisfaction



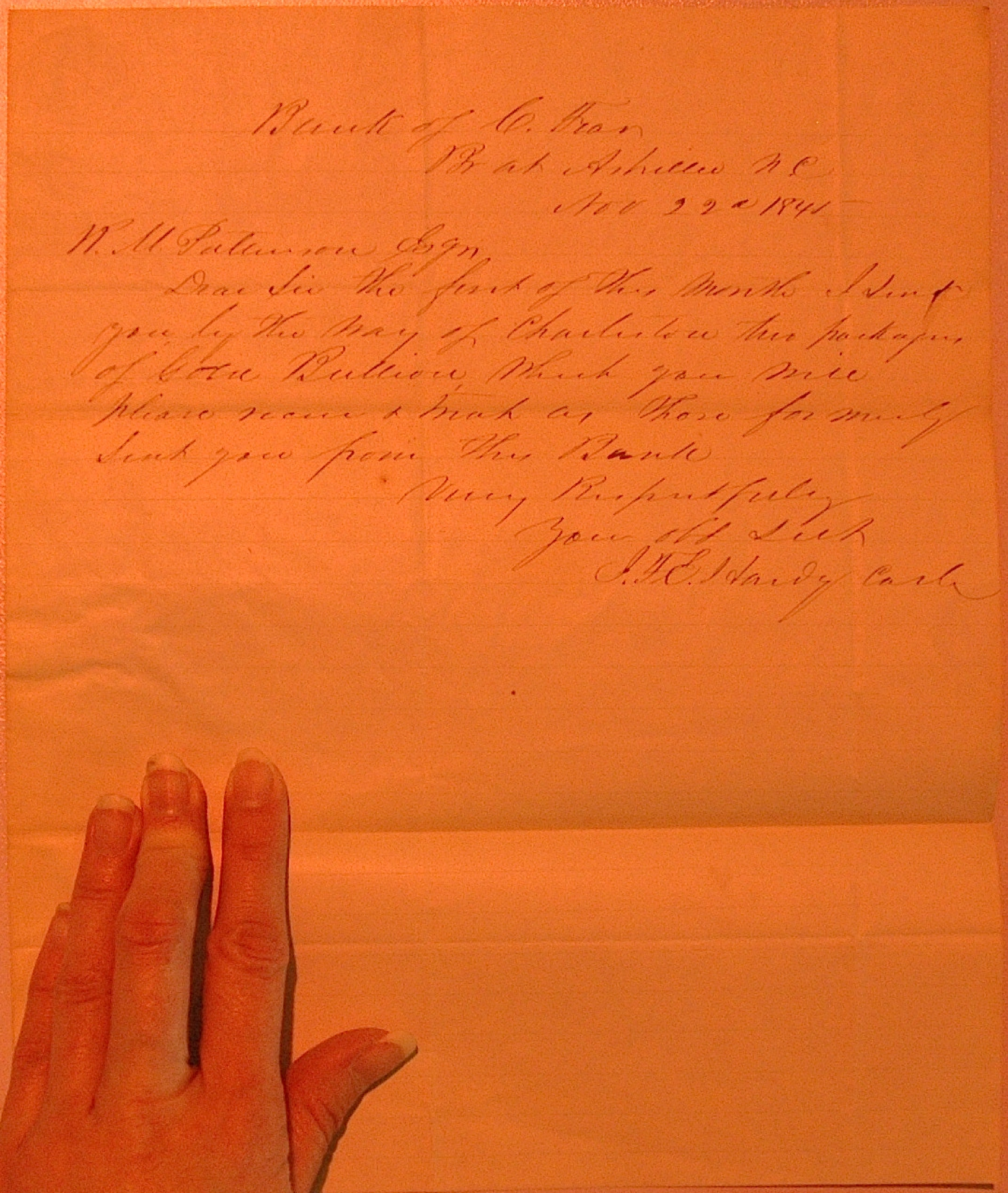
Mint U.S.
Nov. 22 /48

Gentlemen,

The 36 kegs of planchets received by the Emma have been already coined, and the payment transmitted according to your instructions. We have now but 10 kegs of copper coins on hand. Please, then, to execute the balance of our order as soon as possible.

R. M. P.

To/
Mess. Crocker, Bros, & Co.

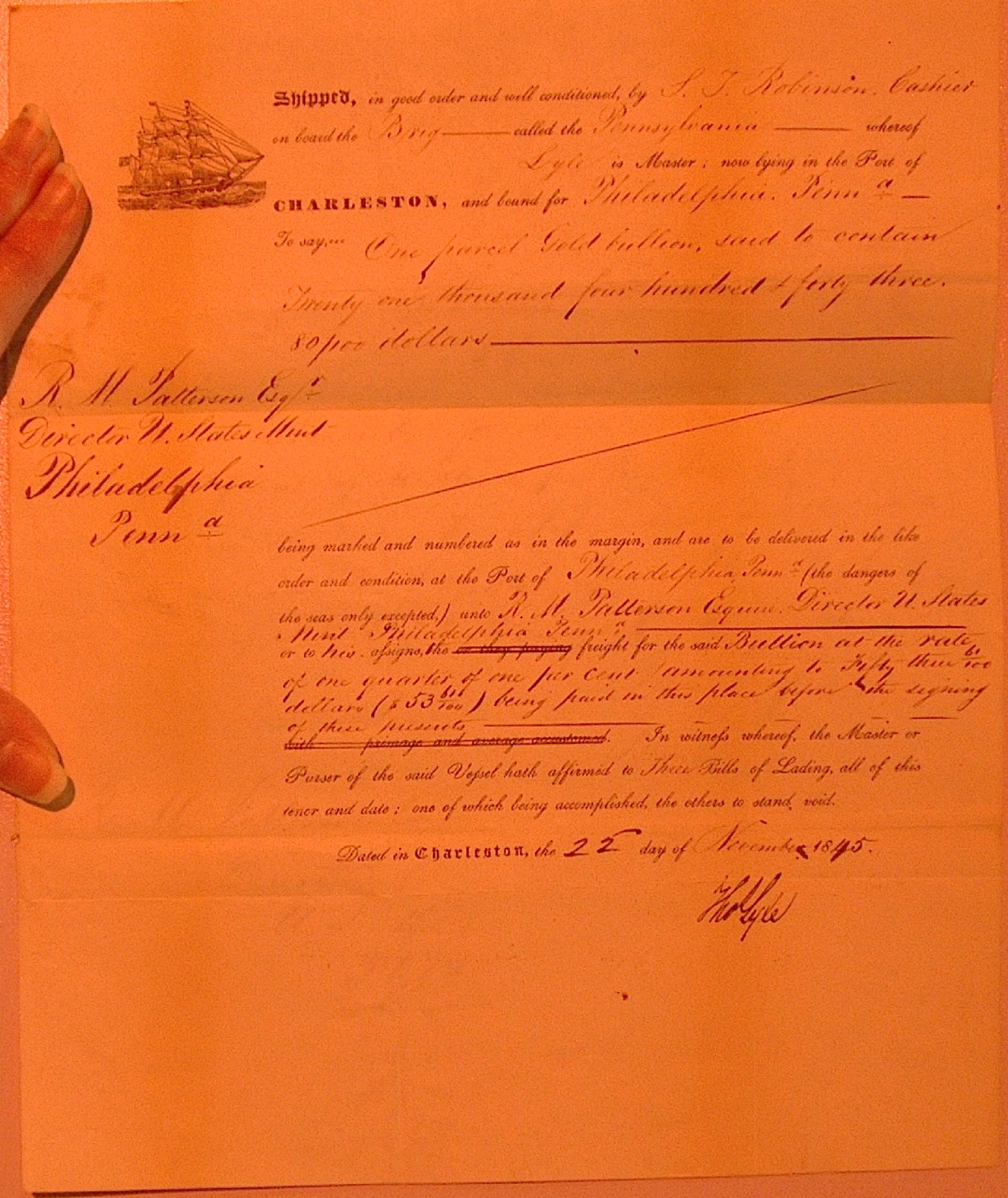


Bank of C. Fear
Br at Asheville N C
Nov 22d 1841

R. M. Patterson Esqr

Dear Sir the first of this Month I sent you by the way of Charleston ten packages of Gold Bullion which you will please coin & mark as those formerly sent you from this Bank

Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt
J. F. E. Hardy Cash



**Shipped,** in good order and well conditioned, by S. J. Robinson Cashier on board the Brig called the Pennsylvania whereof Lyle is Master, now lying in the Port of **CHARLESTON,** and bound for Philadelphia. Penna

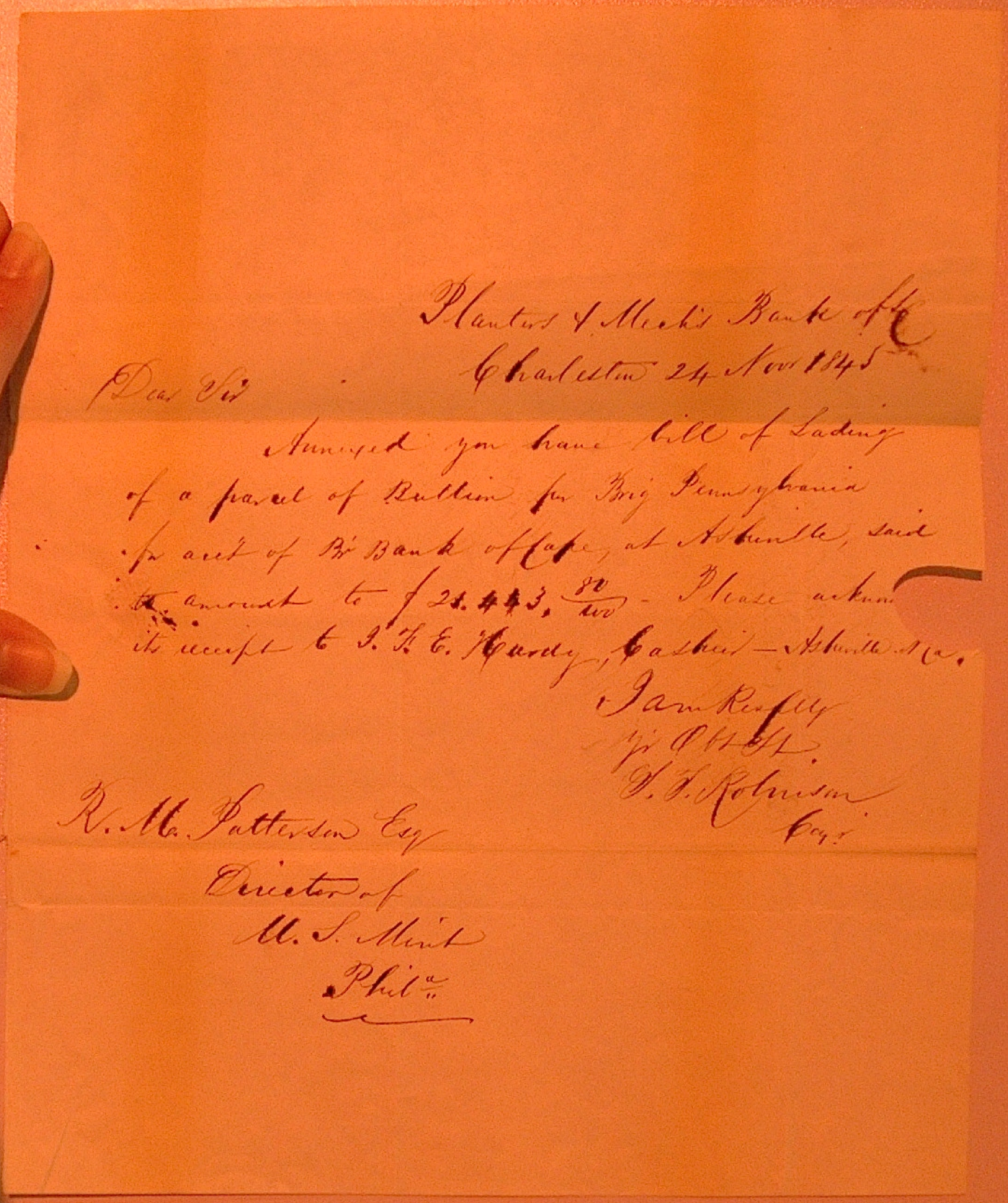
To say… One parcel Gold bullion, said to contain Twenty one thousand four hundred & forty three. 80/100 dollars

R. M. Patterson Esqr
Director U. States Mint
Philadelphia
Penna

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like order and condition, at the Port of Philadelphia Penna (the dangers of the seas only excepted,) unto R. M. Patterson Esquire Director U. States Mint Philadelphia Penna or to his aſsigns, the ~~he or they paying~~ freight for the said Bullion at the rate of one quarter of one per cent (amounting to Fifty three 61/100 dollars ($53 61/100) being paid in this place before the signing of these presents ~~with primage and average accustomed~~. In witneſs whereof, the Master or Purser of the said Veſsel hath affirmed to Three Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Dated in Charleston, the 22 day of November 1845.

Thos Lyle



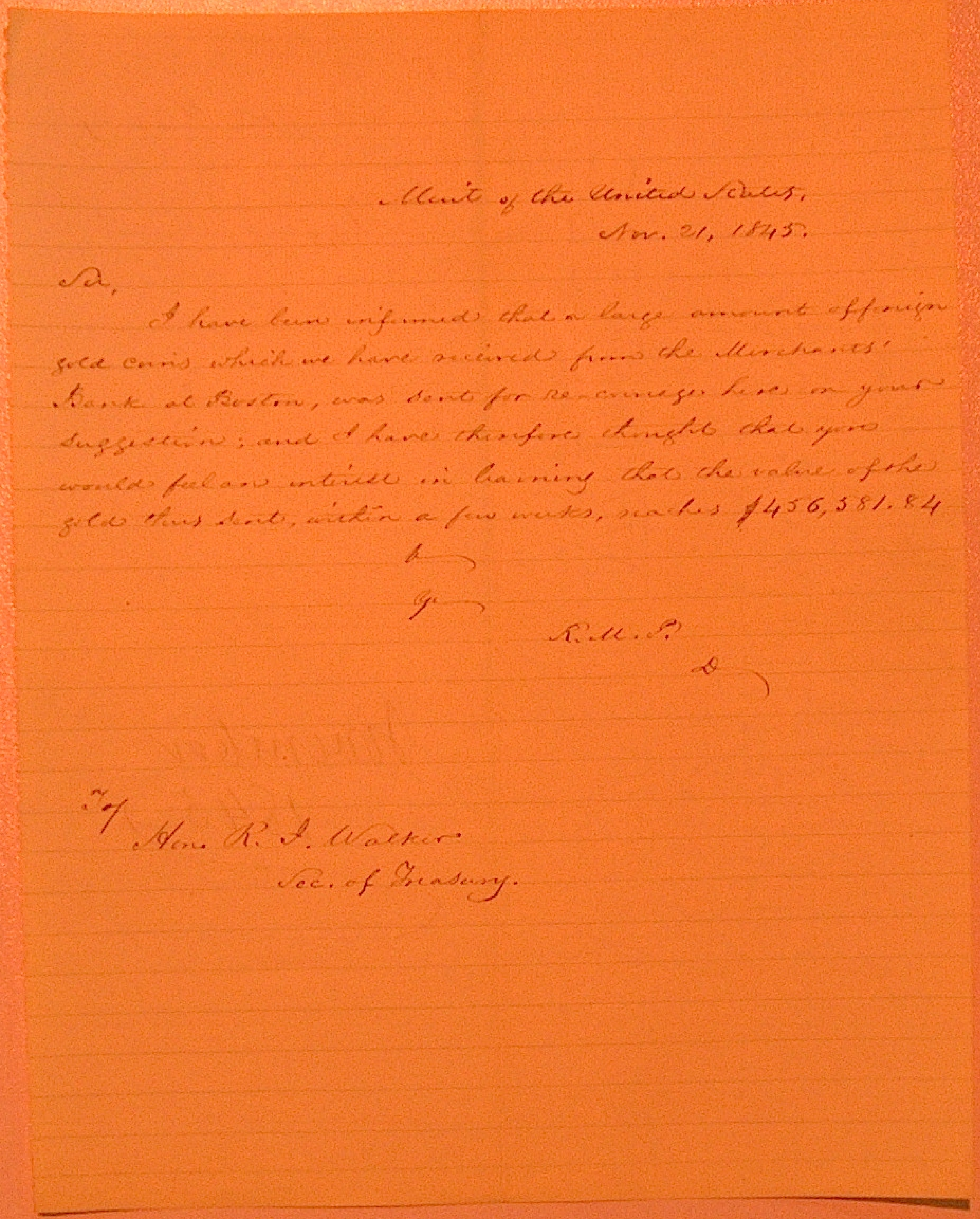
Planters & Mech's Bank of C
Charleston 24 Nov 1845

Dear Sir

Annexed you have bill of Lading of a parcel of Bullion per Brig Pennsylvania for acct of Br Bank of Cape, at Asheville, said to amount to $21.443.$\frac{80}{100}$ - Please ackn its receipt to J. F. E. Hardy, Cashier – Asheville N.C.

I am Respy
Yr Obt St
J. F. Robinson
Cashr

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of
U. S. Mint
Phila



Mint of the United States.
Nov. 21, 1845.

Sir,

I have been informed that a large amount of foreign gold coins which we have received from the Merchants' Bank at Boston, was sent for re-coinage here on your suggestion; and I have therefore thought that you would feel an interest in learning that the value of the gold thus sent, within a few weeks, reaches $456,581.84

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R. M. P.

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To
Hon. R. J. Walker
Sec. of Treasury.

Mint of the United States,

Nov. 21, 1845.

Sir,

Some time ago I caused to be printed, for the use of the officers and others interested, a pamphlet edition of the laws in force in relation to the Mint and its Branches. This edition having become exhausted, I have deemed it proper to prepare another for the press, and in order to ensure its accuracy, I have caused a careful examination to be made of the acts of Congress bearing upon the subject, in the course of which there has arisen some difficulty with regard to the force and effect of the following laws. ~~As I am especially desirous of guarding against any omissions or mistakes,~~ I therefore take the liberty, through you, of calling to my aid the judgment of ~~I must beg the assistance of~~ the proper Law officer of the Treasury Department, in a case where my own ignorance ~~of the science~~ may lead me into omissions or mistakes against which I am especially desirous to guard.

The act of Feb. 9, 1793, §1, legalizes as a tender in payment of debts "Spanish milled dollars at the rate of One hundred cents for each dollar, the weight whereof shall not be less than seventeen pennyweights and seven grains, and in proportion for the parts of a dollar".

The act of April 10, 1806, §1 legalizes them in the same terms, including the parts.

The act of Mar. 3, 1843, §1 legalizes "Spanish pillar" [which are milled] "dollars of not less than eight hundred and ninety seven thousandths in fineness, and four hundred and fifteen grains in weight, at one hundred cents each"

~~What is the effect of this last law on the previous ones?~~

Are the laws of 1793 and 1806 in force so far as to make the parts of the Spanish dollar legal tender in any case, or does the act of ~~Mar. 3~~, 1843 confine the tender to the dollars only of the quality therein mentioned; in other words supply and repeal the others.

Again, By the same act of Feb. 9, 1793, Sect 3, "All foreign coins, (except Spanish milled dollars and parts of such dollars,) which shall be received in payment for moneys due to the United States after the said time when the coining of gold and silver shall begin at the Mint of the United States, shall previously to their being issued in circulation, be coined anew, in conformity to the Act entitled 'An Act to establishing a Mint and regulating the coins of the United States."

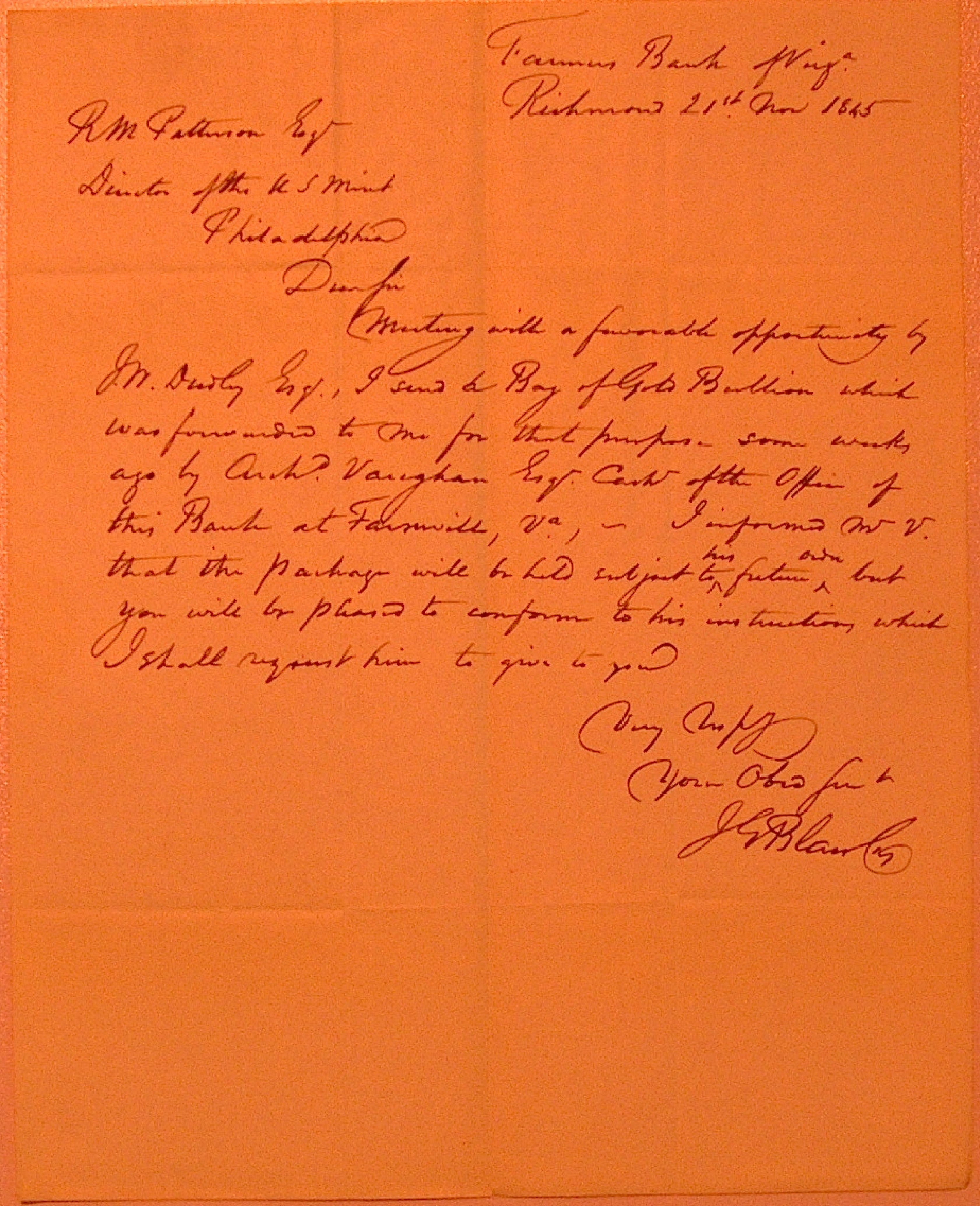
Is this law still in force? I cannot find that it has been repealed, and am only led to believe so from the circumstance that it has been inoperative in effect. If it be really in force, deposits from this source, (including all foreign money as it should seem but Spanish dollars and perhps their parts,) ought to have been constantly and largely made by the Government.

If you deem the matter of sufficient importance I shall be gratified if you would ~~refer the above questions~~ take the ~~proper~~ measures to obtain for me a reply to the questions which I have referred to you.

RMP.

To Sec. of Treasury.

To/
Sec. of Treasury
Jan. 21/45.



Farmers Bank of Virga.
Richmond 21st Nov 1845

R M Patterson Esqr
Director of the U S Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

Meeting with a favorable opportunity by J.M. Dudley Esqr., I send a Bag of Gold Bullion which was forwarded to me for that purpose some weeks ago by Archd. Vaughan Esqr. Cashr of the Office of this Bank at Farmville, Va., — I informed Mr V. that the package will be held subject to his future order, but you will be pleased to conform to his instructions which I shall request him to give to you

Very Respy
Your Obed Servt
J G Blair Cashr

198 Race St. Nov 21st 45

Doctor Patterson

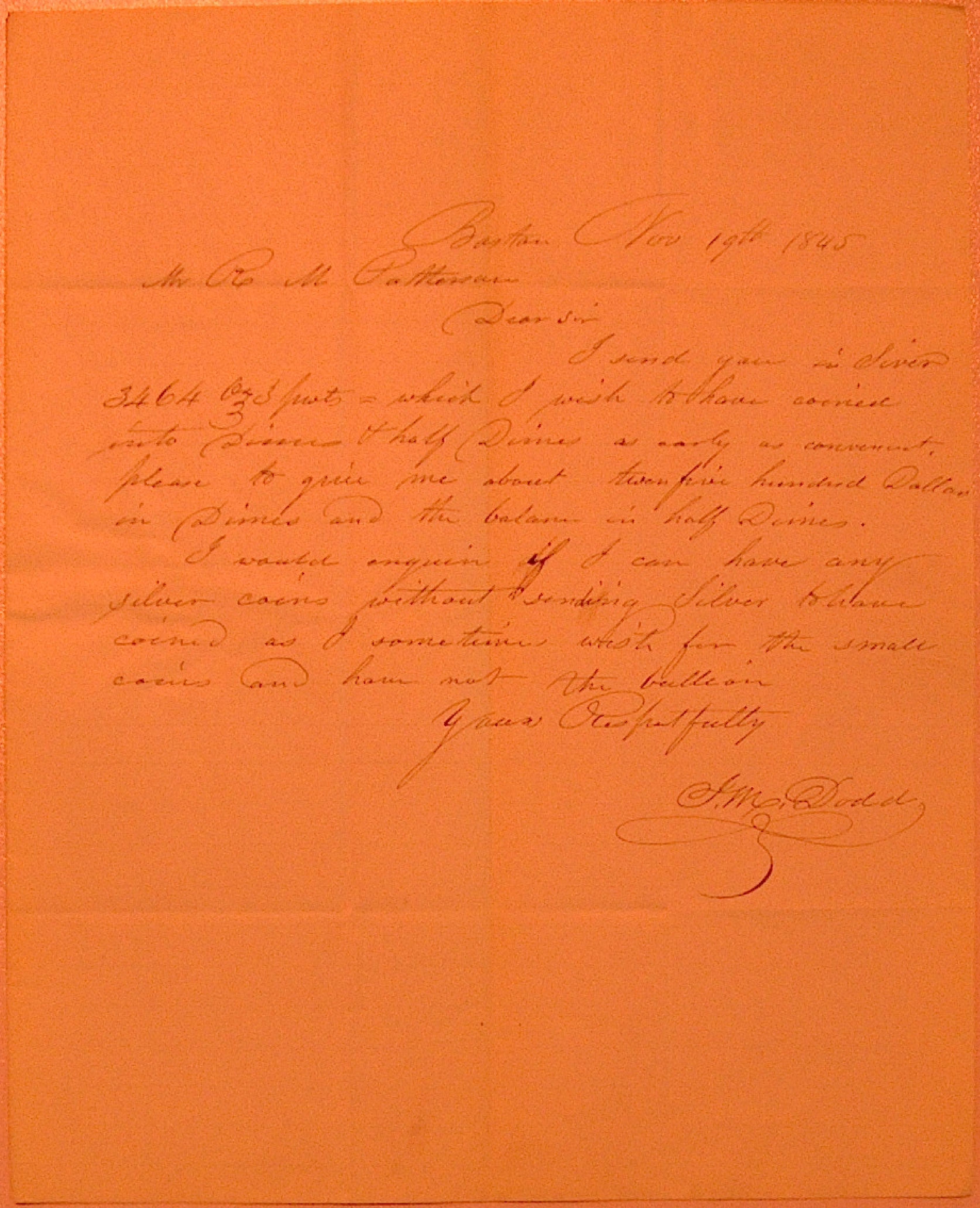
Dear Sir

I send You the head of Prof. Steele, And also the die in a finished condition, with two impressions, one for Yourself And the other for Mr Peale, please examine it And award me such credit as you may think due for the execution. At our last interview I conceived that my skill was suspected for having copied the Style of Mr Durand, such a charge for such an attempt I do think would do me very great injustice, because his Style far transcends all others, and is universally acknowledged, the best, this of course You are fully aware. My grand object was to see whether difficulties would present themselves, to me, in such execution. My object is obtained, I am abundently Satisfied that I can execute not only as well as that Gentlemans coin, but much better than either his or the Specimens which I sends You, And should I be appointed the very first Die I cut will verify the truth of what I say, I cannot conceive how You can consider an artist very limited would grasp the masterly Style of said Gentleman at the very first attempt and without the least difficulty, it does seem to me perfectly natural that You should have concluded, that the Man who could do it, could execute just any Style he pleased, this, Doctor, would have been a very correct conclusion, at all events, the more we may become acquainted the less reason You will have to suspect Me. You spoke to me for the first time about Design on the above occasion also, I have only to say that I have been known 17 Years, as a good Designer, from Boston to Philada. The costly Vase they are making at present for Gen Cadwallader is from My Design, the one they are making in New York at present also, is from my Design, this one is for H. Clay Worth $1500 – to be presented by the Ladies of Nashville Tennessee, fac simile of the of the one Made in 1834 presented to D. Webster by the merchants of Boston. worth the same amount, there can be no difficulty about this. I expect that I know much more about moddelling than I induced you to think I did, I would always sooner underrate myself than do otherwise in a thing that I am not perfectly at home in, And that is the reason why I made the representation to you that I did, but still I intended to develope what I knew if I was appointed. If you think well enough of me to give me your cordial support to the Secretary, I, on my honour as a Man will do all I can towards placing the character of our coin at once on a level with the best in Europe And I tell you candidly I think we can excel, I will make arrangements also to speedily become a master at moddelling. With your permission I will call and see you the day after the session of Congress commences. You will please then give me a decided answer whether you will sustain me or not.

Yours Very Respt'y

Allen Leonard.

Doctor Patterson
Pres, United States Mint



Boston Nov 19th 1845

Mr R. M. Patterson

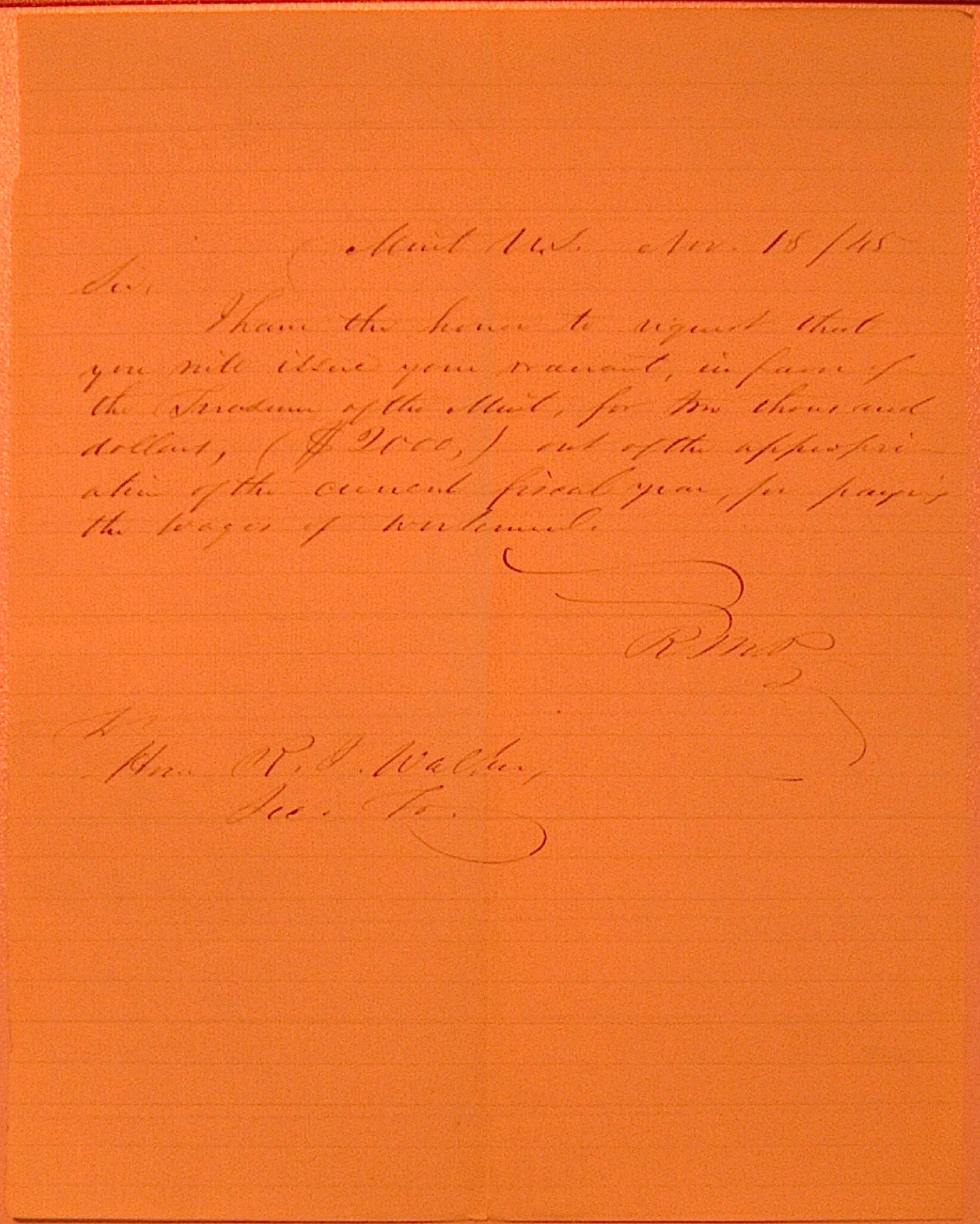
Dear sir

I send you in Silver 3464 Oz 3 pwts — which I wish to have coined into Dimes & half Dimes as early as convenient, please to give me about twenfive hundred Dollars in Dimes and the balance in half Dimes.

I would enquire if I can have any silver coins without sending Silver to have coined as I sometimes wish for the small coins and have not the bullion

Yours Respectfully

J. M. Dodd



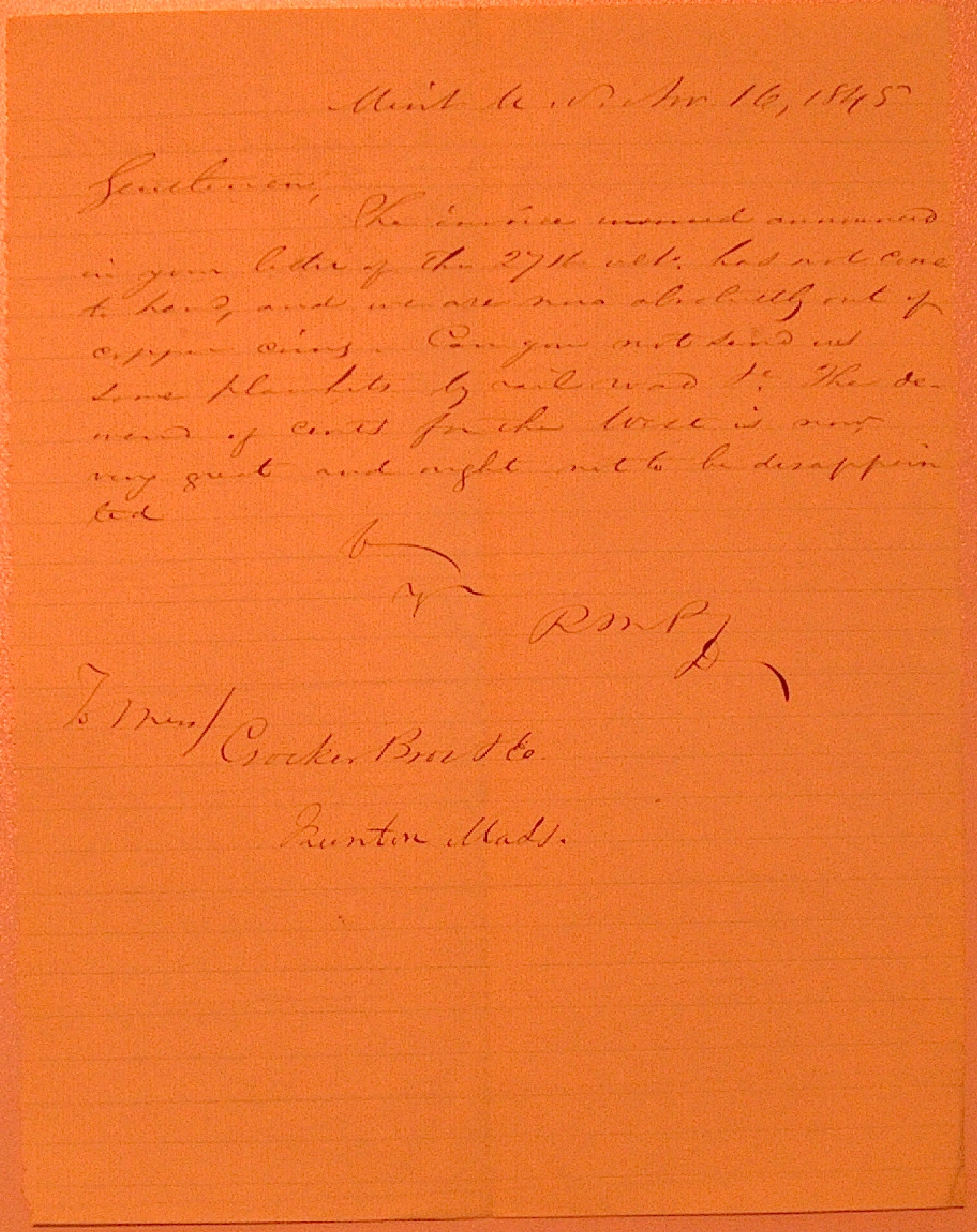
Mint U.S. Nov. 18/45

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will issue your warrant, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for two thousand dollars, ($2000,) out of the appropriation of the current fiscal year, for paying the wages of workmen.

R Mt

To
Hon. R. J. Walker,
Sec. Tr.



Mint U. S. Nov 16, 1845

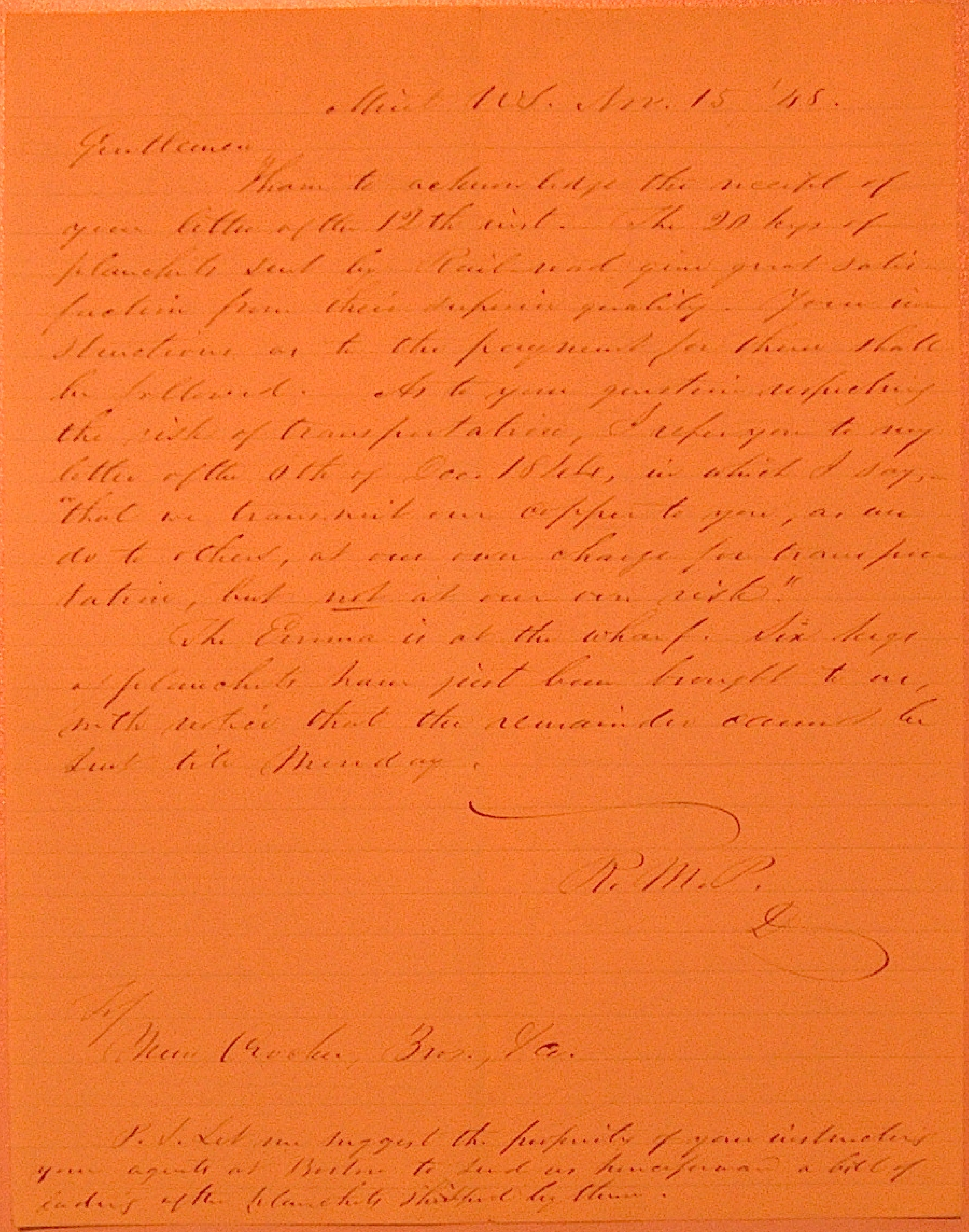
Gentlemen,

The invoice named announced in your letter of the 27th ult. has not come to hand, and we are now absolutely out of copper coins. Can you not send us some planchets by rail road &c. The demand of cents for the West is now very great and ought not to be disappointed.

R M P
D.

To Messrs/ Crocker Bros & Co.

Taunton Mass.



Mint U.S. Nov. 15 '48.

Gentlemen

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th inst. The 20 kegs of planchets sent by Rail-road give great satisfaction from their superior quality. Your instructions as to the payment for them shall be followed. As to your question respecting the risk of transportation, I refer you to my letter of the 6th of Dec. 1844, in which I say, "that we transmit our copper to you, as we do to others, at our own charge for transportation, but not at our own risk."

The Emma is at the wharf. Six kegs of planchets have just been brought to us, with notice that the remainder cannot be sent till Monday.

R. M. P.
D.

To
Mess. Crocker, Bros, & Co.

P.S. Let me suggest the propriety of your instructing your agents at Boston to send us henceforward a bill of lading of the planchets shipped by them.

Mint of the United States
Nov. 14th, 1848

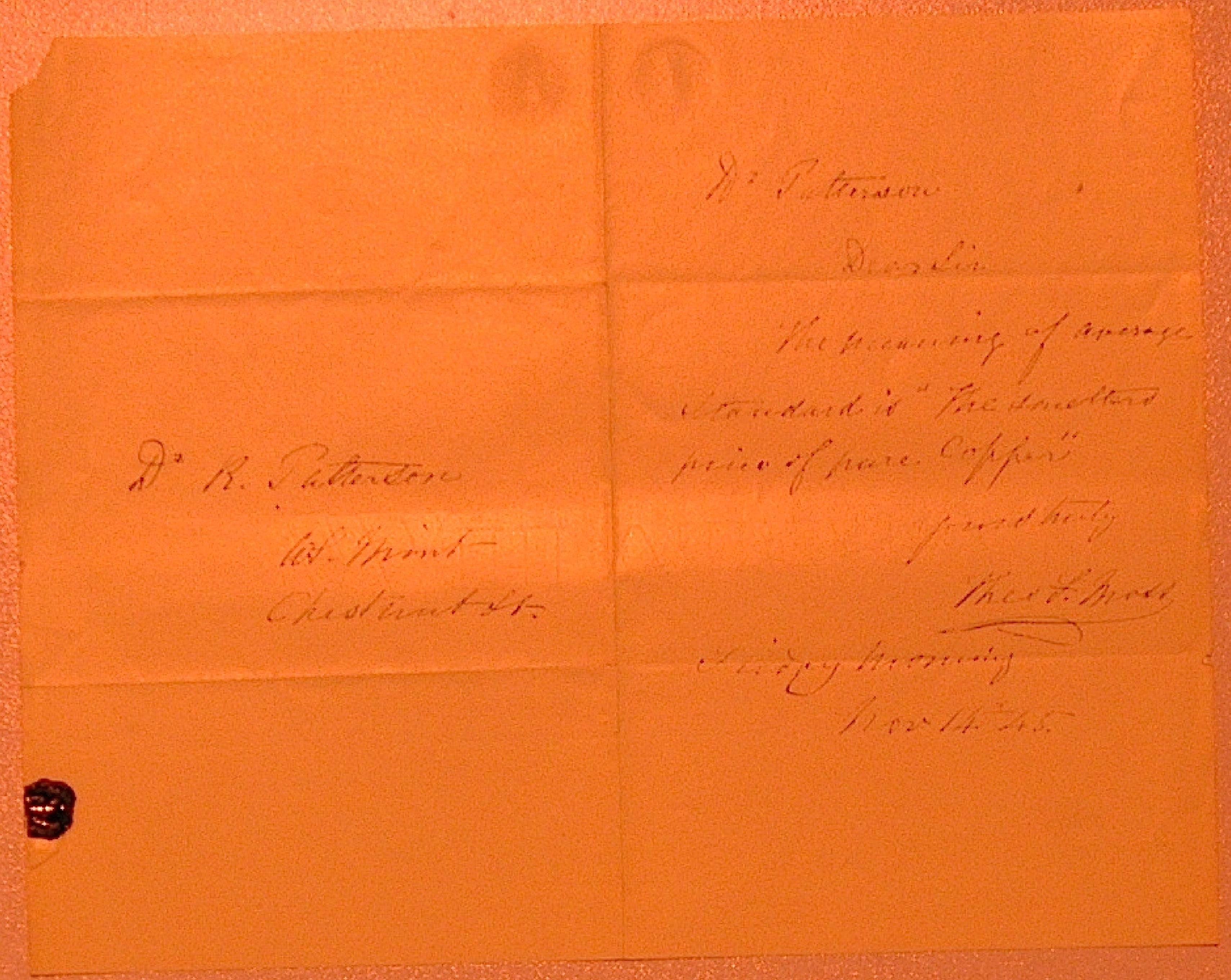
Dear Sir,

I was myself ignorant of the meaning of the term "Standard," used in the reports on the sales of copper ores in England; but I am informed by Mr. Theodore F. Moss, a chemist of this city who has made a particular study of Mining operations, that the ~~phrase term~~ word "Standard," in this case, means the Smelters' "price of pure copper," expressed in pounds sterling per ton.

In Ure's "Dictionary of Arts, Manufactures, & Mines", (London, 1839,) I find, under the article Copper, that the term "Average Standard", is made equivalent to "Price per ton," and is expressed in £, s, & d. It may be proper to add that the ton is stated to be of 21 cwts.

R. M. P.

To
Henry La Reintrie, Esq



Dr R. Patterson

U.S. Mint

Chestnut St.

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Dr Patterson

Dear Sir

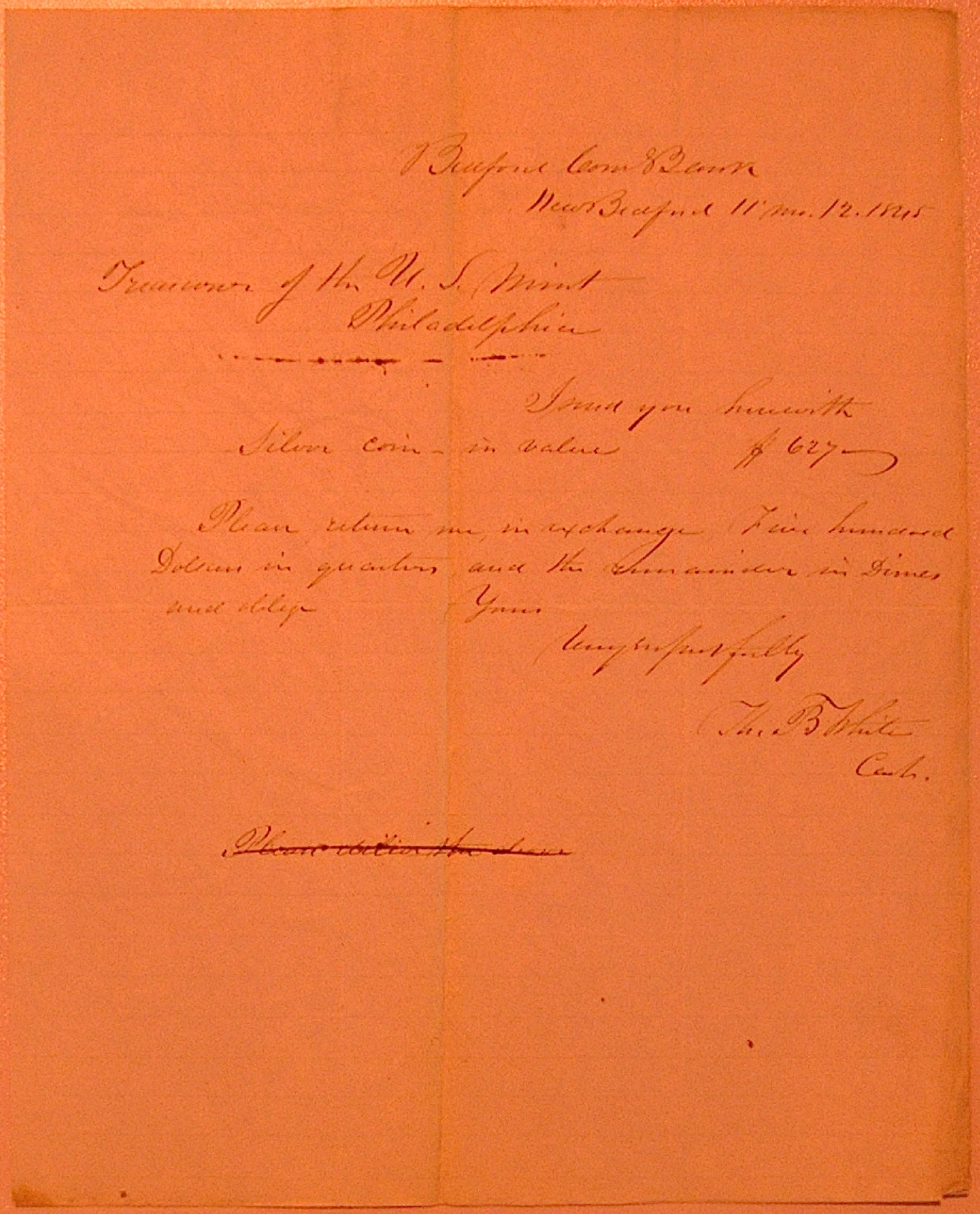
The meaning of average standard is "the smelters price of pure Copper"

yours truly

Theo F. Moss

Friday Morning

Nov 14th 45.



N Bedford Com^l Bank
New Bedford 11 mo. 12. 1845

Treasurer of the U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

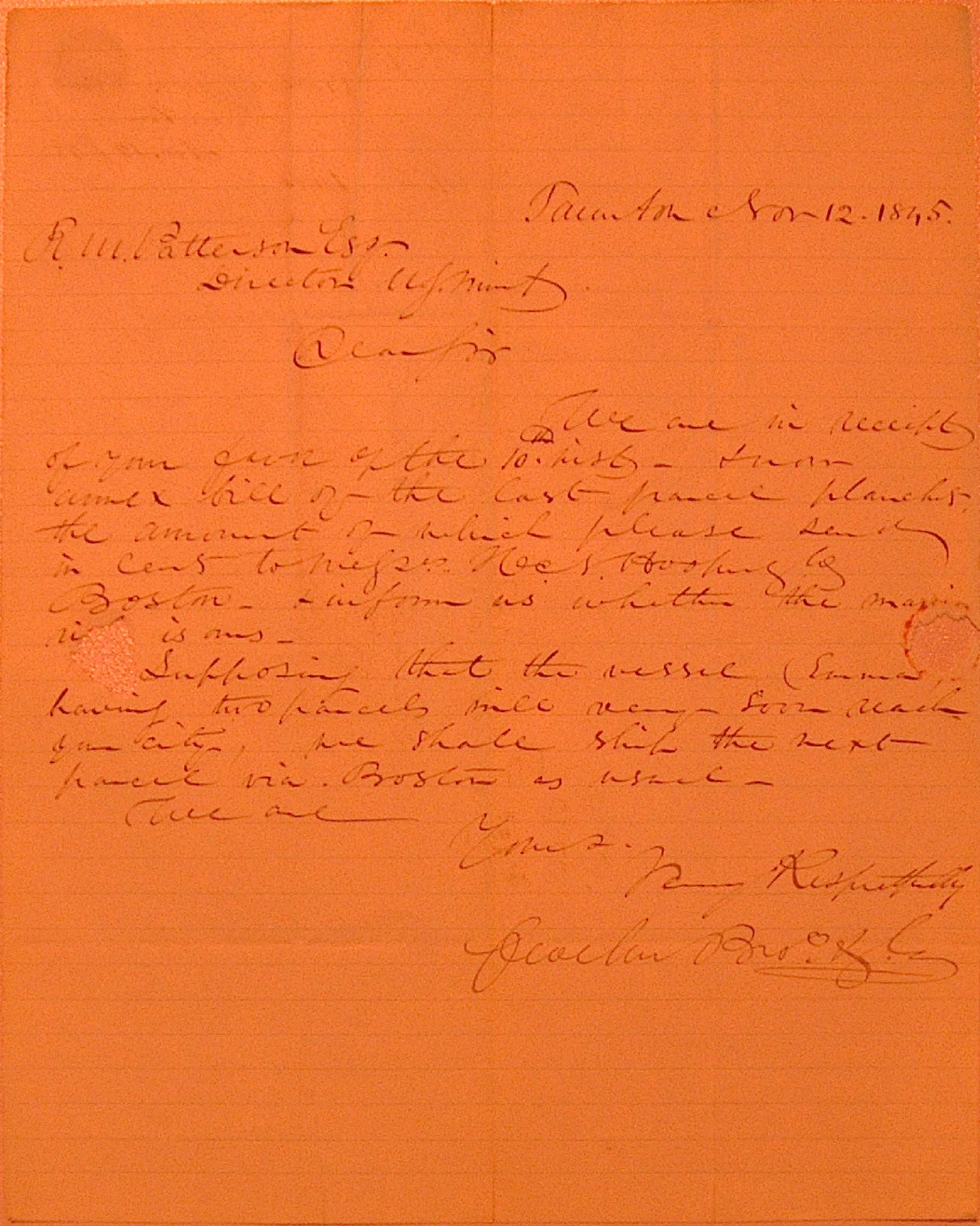
I send you herewith
Silver coin in value $ 627—

Please return me, in exchange Five hundred Dollars in quarters and the remainder in Dimes and oblige Yours

Very respectfully

Jas. B White
Cash.

~~Please deliver the bearer~~



Taunton Nov. 12. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director U.S. Mint.

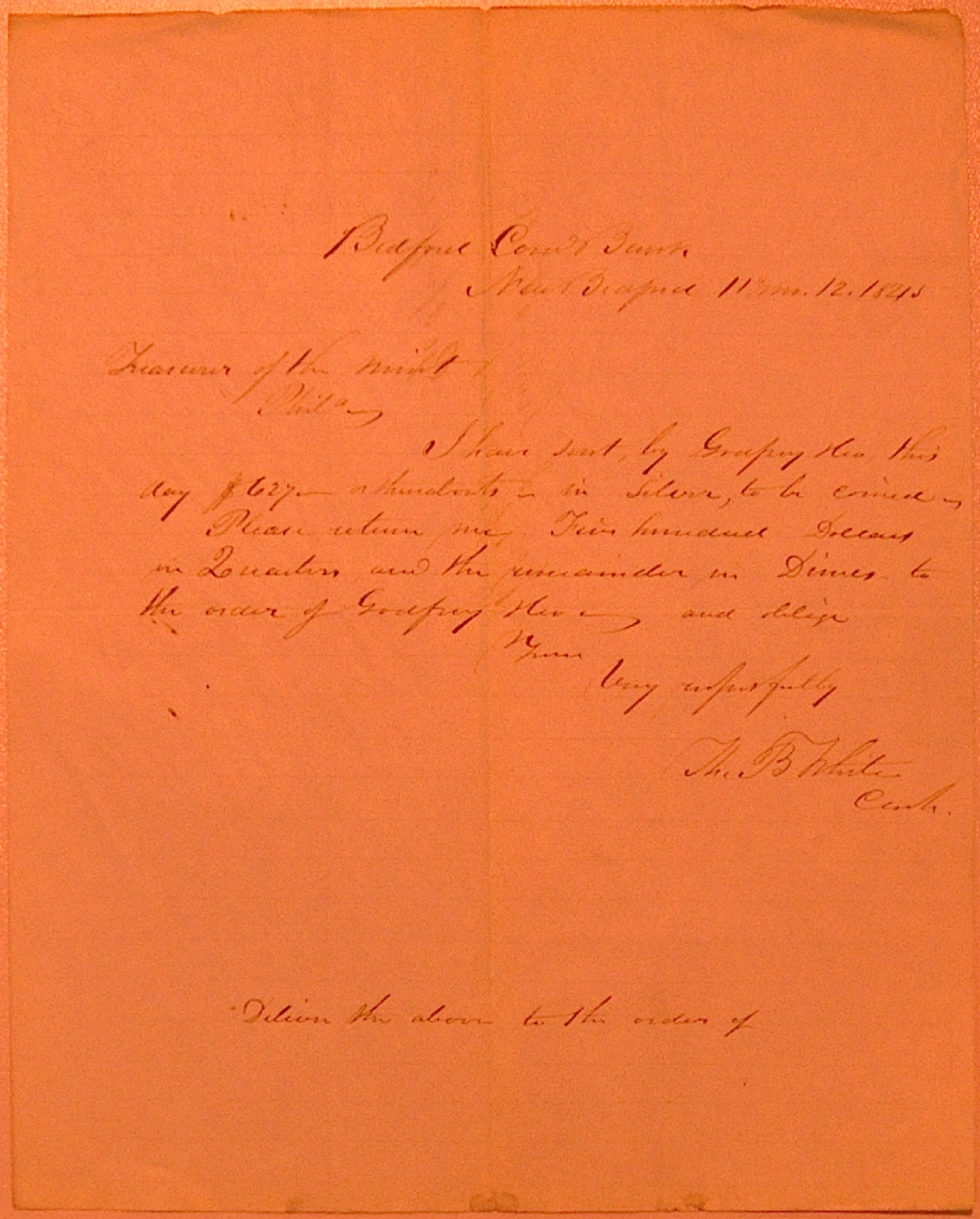
Dear Sir

We are in receipt of your favor of the 10th inst. — & now annex bill of the last parcel planchets, the amount of which please send in cents to Messrs. Mc S. Hooper & Co Boston — & inform us whether the margin is ours —

Supposing that the vessel (Emma) having two parcels will very soon reach your city, we shall ship the next parcel via Boston as usual —

We are

Yours.
Very Respectfully
Crocker Bro. & Co



Bedford Comm'l Bank
New Bedford 11 mo. 12. 1845

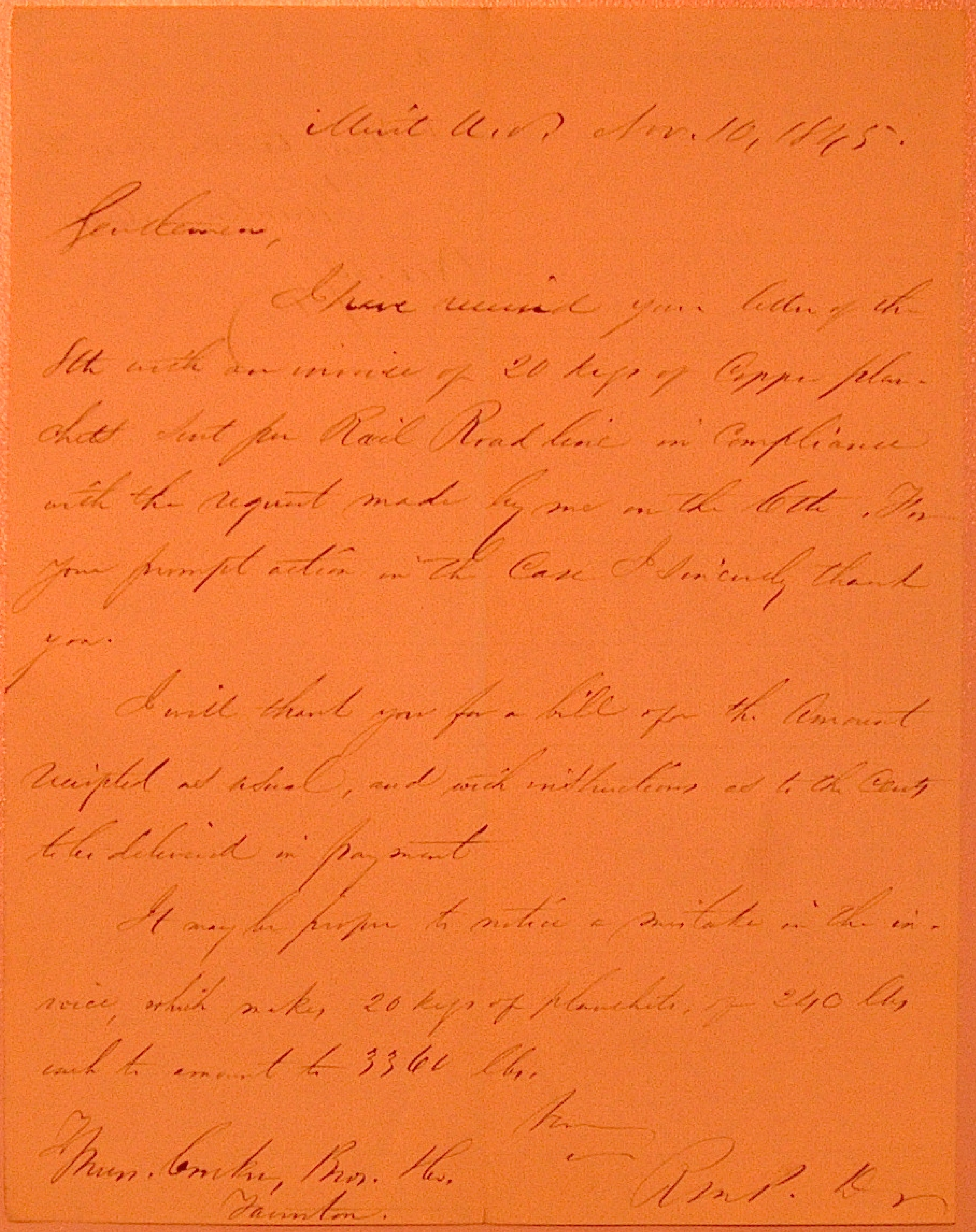
Treasurer of the Mint
Phil^a

I have sent, by Godfrey Hew this day $627 — [illegible] hundredths in Silver, to be coined. Please return me Four hundred Dollars in Quarters and the remainder in Dimes to the order of Godfrey Hew and oblige

Yours
Very respectfully

Tho. B. White
Cash.

Deliver the above to the order of



Mint U.S. Nov. 10, 1845.

Gentlemen,

I have received your letter of the 8th with an invoice of 20 kegs of Copper planchets sent per Rail Road line in Compliance with the request made by me on the 6th. For your prompt action in the Case I sincerely thank you.

I will thank you for a bill of the Amount receipted as usual, and with instructions as to the Cents to be delivered in payment.

It may be proper to notice a mistake in the invoice, which makes 20 kegs of planchets, of 240 lbs each to amount to 3360 lbs.

Yrs

R.M.P. Dr

Messrs. Crocker, Bros. & Co.
Taunton.

Office of the Baltimore & Cuba
Smelting & Mining Company
Baltimore, Nov. 11th 1846.

Mr James Longacre
Superintendent U. S. Mint
Phila.

Dear Sir,

As Secretary to the above named Company, I take the liberty of addressing you and to beg of you to inform me what is meant by the Standard of Copper ore, that is, the maximum number assumed as the Standard in England.

That you may the more easily arrive at my request, I have annexed an extract from the London miners' journal of October last.

By giving me the desired information you will much oblige,

Your very Obt. Servant,
Henry Lattentrie
Secy. B. & C. S. & M. Co.

(1851)

# Extract from the London Mines journal.

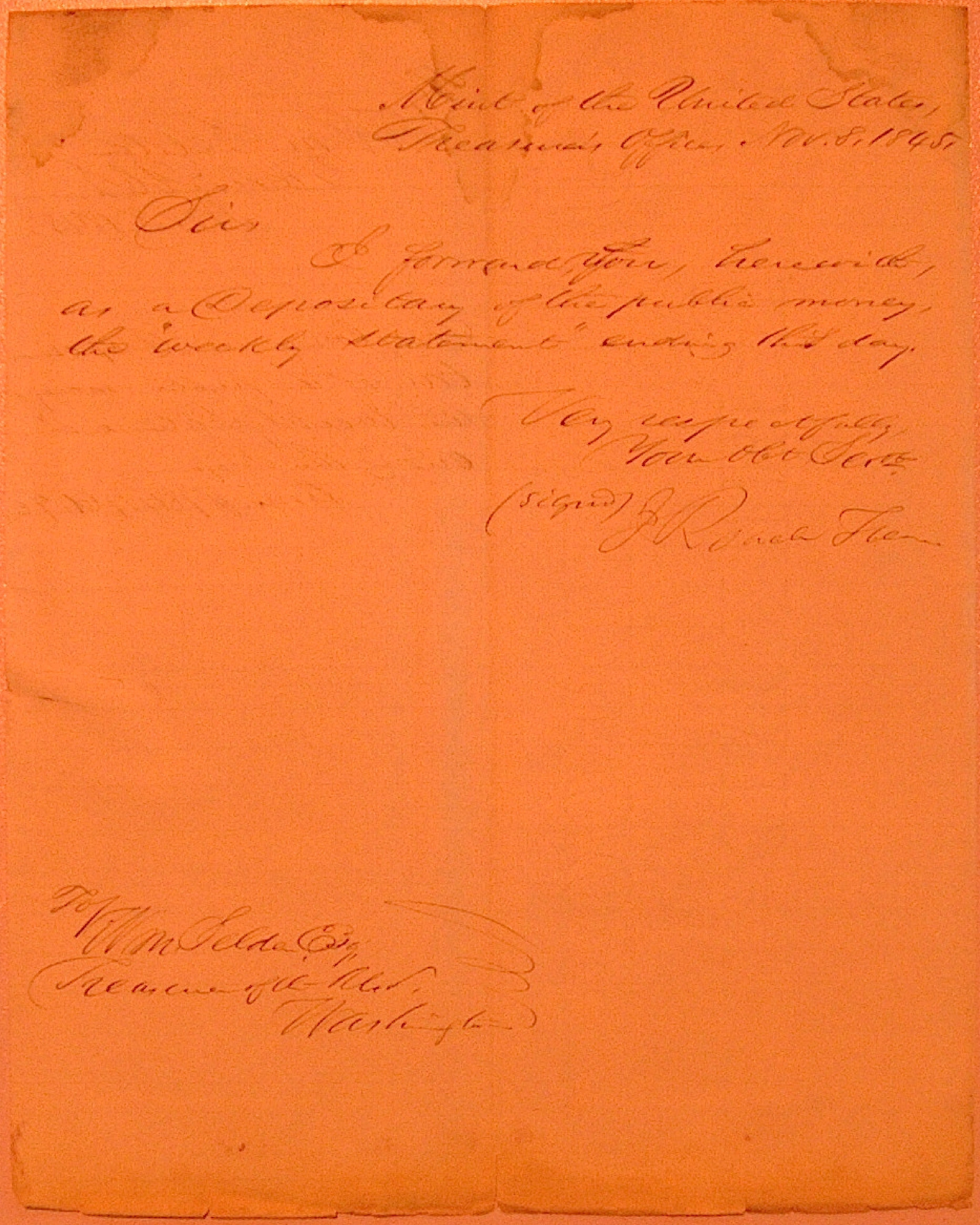
## Copper Ores.

Sampled on the 23rd Sept., and Sold 15th October, at Swansea.

| Mines. | Tons. | Produce | Standard | Price | Mines. | Tons. | Produce | Standard | Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cobre | 100 | 12½ | 94½ | £9. 12. 0 | Bearhaven | 95 | 10 | 105¼ | £. 8. 5. 6 |
| ditto | 99 | 12½ | 94½ | 9. 12. 0 | Cuba | 75 | 23⅞ | 89¾ | 19. 3. 0 |
| ditto | 98 | 12½ | 94½ | 9. 12. 0 | ditto | 73 | 23⅞ | 88¼ | 18. 18. 0 |
| ditto | 97 | 12½ | 94½ | 9. 12. 0 | ditto | 22 | 22 | 88 | 17. 2. 6 |
| ditto | 55 | 12½ | 94½ | 9. 12. 0 | Ballymurtagh | 96 | 4⅞ | 126¼ | 3. 18. 0 |
| ditto | 106 | 12⅝ | 95 | 9. 15. 0 | ditto | 46 | 4¼ | 127 | 3. 3. 0 |
| ditto | 105 | 12½ | 95¼ | 9. 13. 0 | Australian Kap. | 43 | 38⅞ | 94½ | 24. 11. 6 |
| ditto | 101 | 13 | 94½ | 10. 1. 6 | Australia Kan. | 36 | 8¼ | 108 | 6. 13. 0 |
| ditto | 57 | 13½ | 93¾ | 10. 0. 0 | Australia | 33 | 17⅞ | 98 | 15. 5. 6 |
| ditto | 110 | 21½ | 90 | 16. 17. 0 | Cuba | 61 | 14 | 94¼ | 10. 18. 6 |
| ditto | 30 | 22½ | 89½ | 17. 10. 6 | ditto | 40 | 20¾ | 90 | 16. 8. 0 |
| ditto | 64 | 12½ | 94¾ | 9. 16. 6 | Rose Slag | 42 | 3¾ | 128 | 2. 11. 0 |
| ditto. | 36 | 12⅞ | 95¼ | 10. 0. 0 | Victoria | 17 | 11 | 98¾ | 8. 12. 0 |
| Bearhaven | 128 | 9⅞ | 105 | 8. 2. 6 | Holyford | 8 | 20¼ | 96¼ | 17. 5. 0 |
| ditto | 104 | 9½ | 105 | 8. 2. 6 | Vine Slag | 3. | 3⅝ | 129¼ | 2. 9. 0. |
| ditto | 97 | 9¼ | 105¼ | 8. 1. 0 | | | | | |

Total Tons, 2,157. Total Amount £. 21.657. 7. 9. 0.0. = $103,955 $\frac{28}{100}$ at $4.80 per £.

Henry Le Fontaine



Mint of the United States,
Treasurer's Office, Nov. 8. 1848

Sir

I forward you, herewith, as a Depositary of the public money, the "weekly statement" ending this day.

Very respectfully
Your obt Servt
(signed) J R Snowden Treas

To Wm Selden Esq
Treasurer of the U.S.
Washington

Copy.

Dr United States Bullion Account in a/c with Isaac Roach Treasurer of the Mint. Cr.

"for moneys deposited in the Mint by the Treas. U.S. for the purchase of bullion for coinage" ~~under [illegible] Sect. [illegible] of the deposite Act of 1836.~~
omitted Nov. 8th 1845.

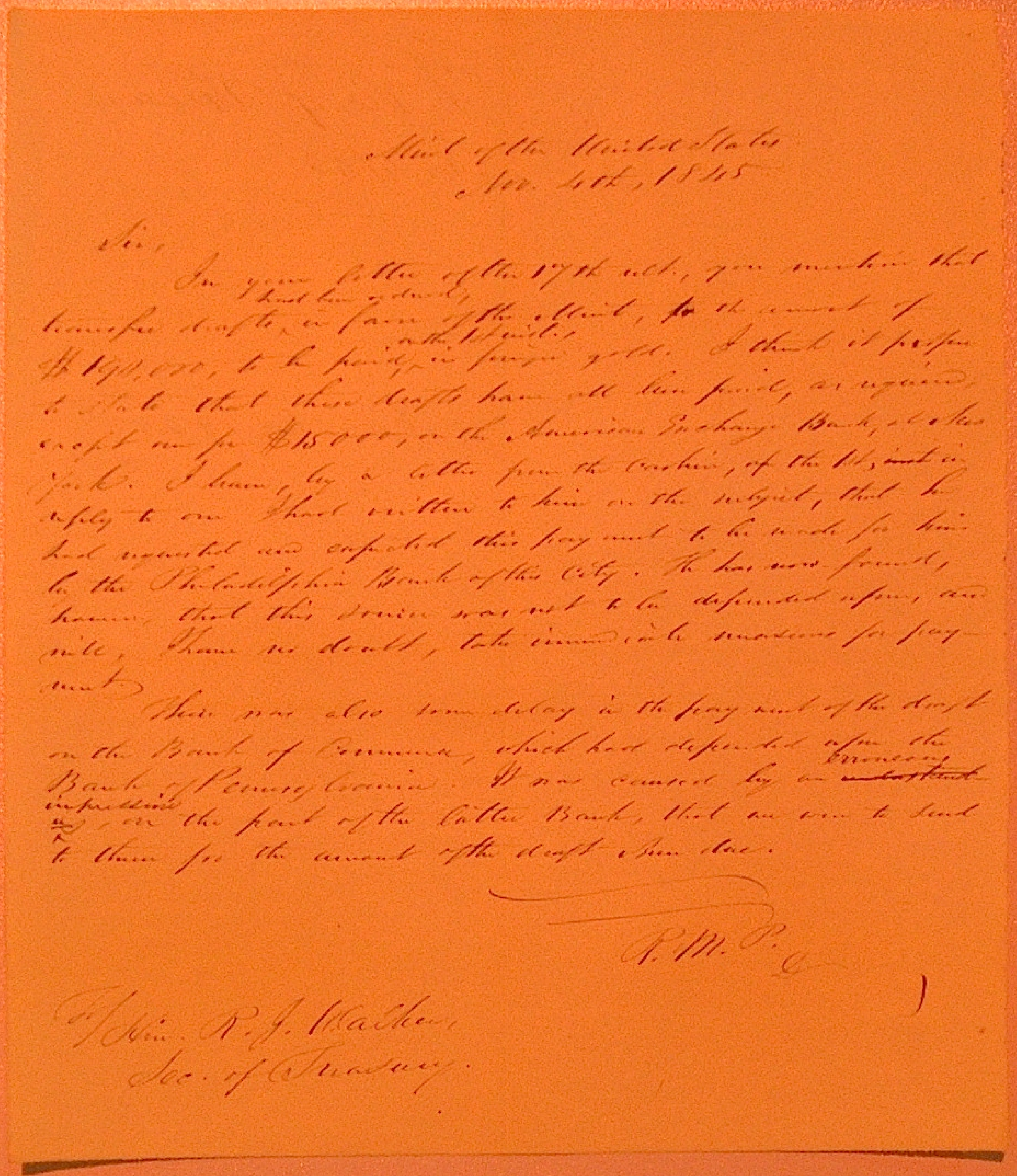
| 1845 | | | Dollars cts. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Oct. | 24 | To Sundry a/cs. paid Treasury transfer draft No. 243 [endorsed] in favor Corcoran & Riggs of Wash. D.C. dated 22d inst. on the Treasurer of the Mint. for paid in gold $24,500.— do. in silver 5,699.04 | 30,199.04 |
| " | 25 | " Mint of the United States | 649,761.90 |
| | | | 679,960.94 |
| Nov. | 1 | To Mint of the U.S. | 754,761.90 |
| Nov. | 8 | To Mint of the U.S. | 784,761.90 |

| 1845 | | | Dollars cts. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sept. | 30 | By Balance as per account rendered this day | 624,960.94 |
| | | ~~" Sundry Accounts for so much rec'd in gold & silver coin~~ | |
| | | " Gold Coinage, for so much rec'd in gold coin in payment of the following Treasury transfer drafts dated 15th & 18th inst. payable at Phila. on ~~[illegible]~~ 1st Nov. next to my order | |
| Oct. | 23 | No. 234 on the Mechanics Bk. at N.Y. for 15,000.— | |
| " | 24 | " 239 " Mess. Corcoran & Riggs at Wash. " 10,000.— | |
| " | 25 | " 228 " Bank of America, N.Y. for 15,000.— | |
| " | " | " 230 " Merchants Bk. at N.Y. " 15,000.— | 55,000.00 |
| | | | 679,960.94 |
| Oct. | 25 | By Bal. as per a/c rendered this day | 649,761.90 |
| | | " Gold Coinage for so much rec'd in gold coin in payment of the following Treasury transfer drafts dated 15th & 18th inst. payable in Phila. on 1st Nov. next to my order | |
| Nov. | 1 × | ~~No. 229~~ No. 232 on the Bk. of the State of N.Y. at N.Y. for 15,000.— | |
| " | " | " 233 on the North River Bk. at N.Y. " 15,000. | |
| Oct. | 30 | " 235 on the Philad. Bk. at Phila. 15,000. | |
| " | 31 | " 236 on the Bk. of Commerce at do 15,000. | |
| " | 29 | " 237 on the Chesapeake Bk. at Balt. 15,000. | |
| " | 28 | " 238 on the Patriotic Bk. at Wash. 10,000. | |
| " | " | " 240 on the Bk. of the Metropolis do 10,000. | |
| " | " | " 241 on the Bk. of Washington at do 10,000. | 105,000.00 |
| | × | " ~~[illegible]~~ | |
| $15,000. | | No. 229 on the Bk. of Commerce at N.Y. } Unpaid | 754,761.90 |
| $15,000. | | " 231 on the Am. Exchange Bk. at N.Y. } Nov. 1st 45 | ~~[illegible]~~ |
| Nov. | 1 | By Bal. | 754,761.90 |
| " | " | Gold Coinage for so much rec'd | |
| " | 3 | No. 229 on the Bk. of Commerce at N.Y. for | 15,000.00 |
| " | 5 | " 231 " " Am. Exchange Bank of N.Y. " | 15,000.00 |
| | | | 784,761.90 |

Taunton Nov 8 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director U. S. Mint
Dear Sir

We have received your favor of the 6th inst & now annex invoice of 20 Kegs planchets, which we shall forward to day by Express & hope they may be delivered without delay &
& We are
Yours
Very Resp.
Crocker Bros & Co
p. Timothy [illegible]



Mint of the United States
Nov. 6th, 1845

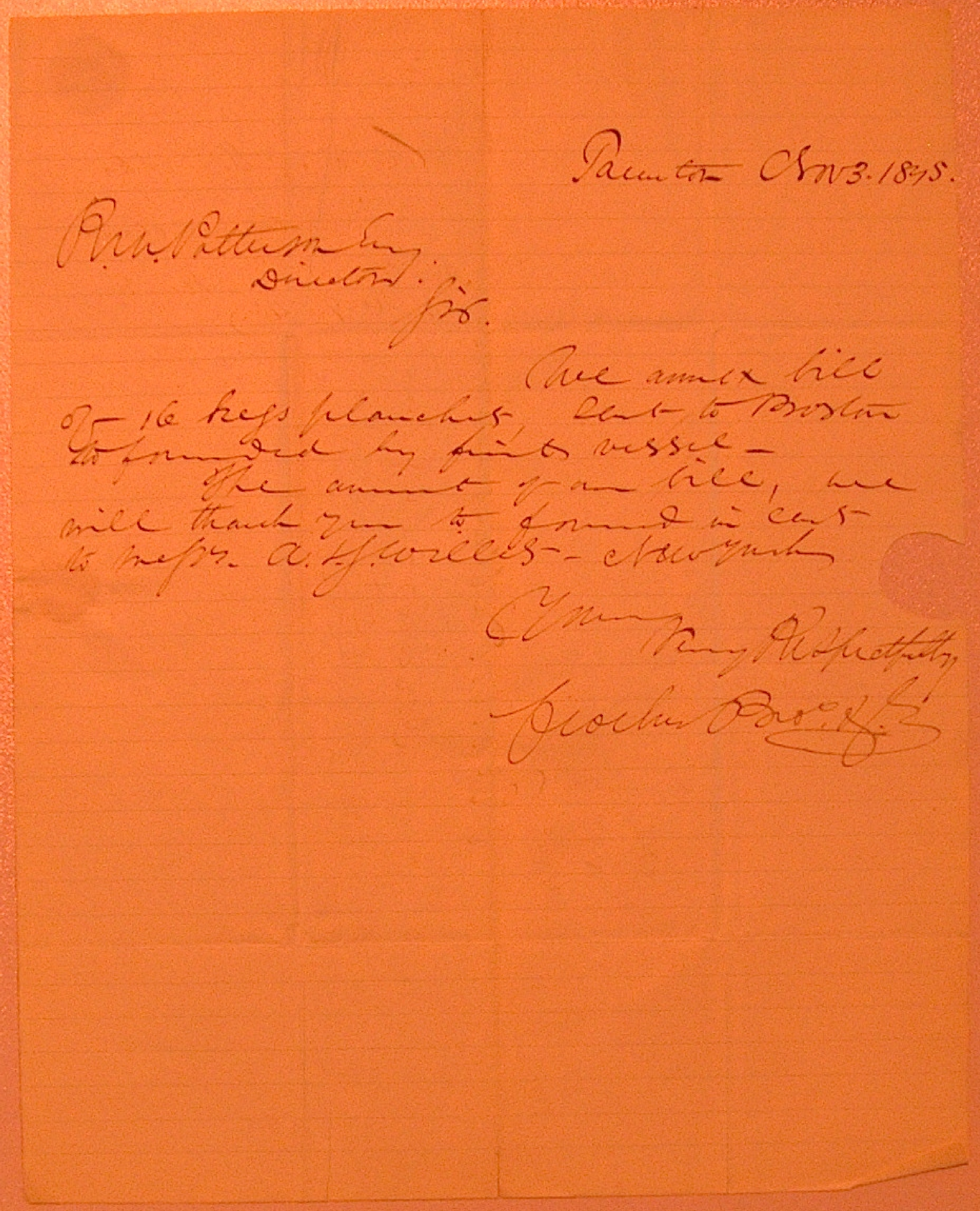
Sir,

In your letter of the 17th ult., you mention that transfer drafts, had been ordered, in favor of the Mint, to the amount of $198,000, to be paid at the Mint, in foreign gold. I think it proper to state that these drafts have all been paid, as required, except one for $15000, on the American Exchange Bank, at New York. I learn, by a letter from the Cashier, of the 1st, inst. in reply to one I had written to him on the subject, that he had requested and expected this payment to be made for him by the Philadelphia Bank of this City. He has now found, however, that this source was not to be depended upon, and will, I have no doubt, take immediate measures for payment.

There was also some delay in the payment of the draft on the Bank of Commerce, which had depended upon the Bank of Pennsylvania. It was caused by an erroneous ~~mistake~~ impression on the part of the latter Bank, that we were to send to them for the amount of the draft when due.

R. M. P.

To Hon. R. J. Walker,
Sec. of Treasury.

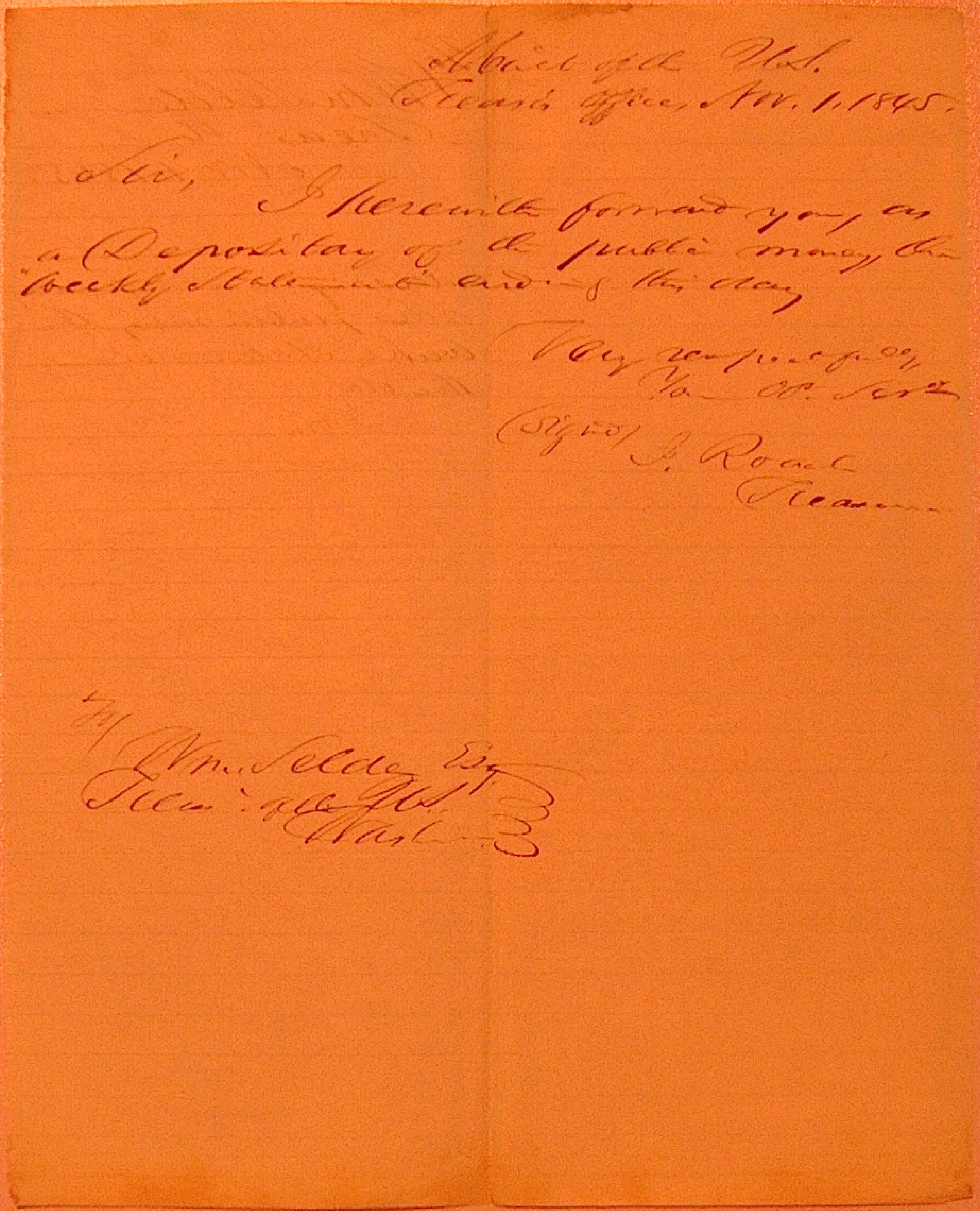


Taunton Nov 3. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director.
Sir.

We annex bill of 16 kegs planchets sent to Boston to forwarded by first vessel — The amount of our bill, we will thank you to forward in cert to Messrs. A. G. Welles — New York

Yours
Very Respectfully,
Crocker Bros & Co



Mint of the U.S.
Treasr's Office, Nov. 1. 1845.

Sir,

I herewith forward you as a Depositary of the public money the weekly statement ending this day.

Very respectfully
Yo. Ob. Servt.
(Signed) I. Roach
Treasurer

To
Wm. Selden Esq.
Treasr. of the U.S.
Washn.

Birmingham Novr 1[illegible]

Sir

In pursuance of the permission given to the writer when he had the pleasure of seeing you last August to offer prices of certain articles for the use of the Mint of the U. S. we now beg to state that we can supply [illegible] rolls of the best quality 10 to 6 inch similar to those sent in September 1831 turned and [illegible] at £7-10-0 per pair.

We find it difficult to make a positive quotation for the planchets as the variation in the price of copper may make a difference 1d per lb either higher or lower but at this time from the present price of copper we [illegible] blanks [illegible]

These quotations are for payment in cash, and they [illegible] deliver at 3 months from date of [illegible], and include packages & carriage to Liverpool & shipping expenses. we hope however they will be found sufficiently low to induce you to favor us again with orders [illegible] which we have the honor to remain

Your obedient servants

A & G. W. Hamlet

Bank of Commerce in New York
Nov 1. 1845.

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint U.S. Phil^a.
Sir

I have this morning rec^d your favor of 31st ult^o reminding me of a Transfer dft due this day for $15,000. I beg to reply that on 18th ult^o I wrote to Geo. Phillis Esq Cash^r Bk Penn^a. as follows. "We have a Treasury transfer dft to pay at the Mint in your City on 1st Nov^r. next for "$15,000 payable in foreign gold coin, or gold bullion. Will it be agreeable "to you to pay this draft for us when due charging us with the amount now?" On 20th ult^o Mr Phillis replied thus "We will pay the Treasury transfer dft "for $15,000 in foreign gold coin for you with pleasure." On the 21st ult^o I had the honor to address you as follows.

"Bank of Commerce in New York
Oct 21. 1845.

" Sir. "Having been informed by the Treasurer of the United States that he "has issued a transfer draft on us, in favor of the Mint for $15,000 payable "there on 1st Nov^r. next, I beg to advise you that I have arranged with "the Bank of Pennsylvania to pay the same according to its tenor.

I am Sir, very respectfully
Your ob^t. Sv^t.
G. A. Curtis C^r."

"To the Director of the Mint
"Philadelphia"

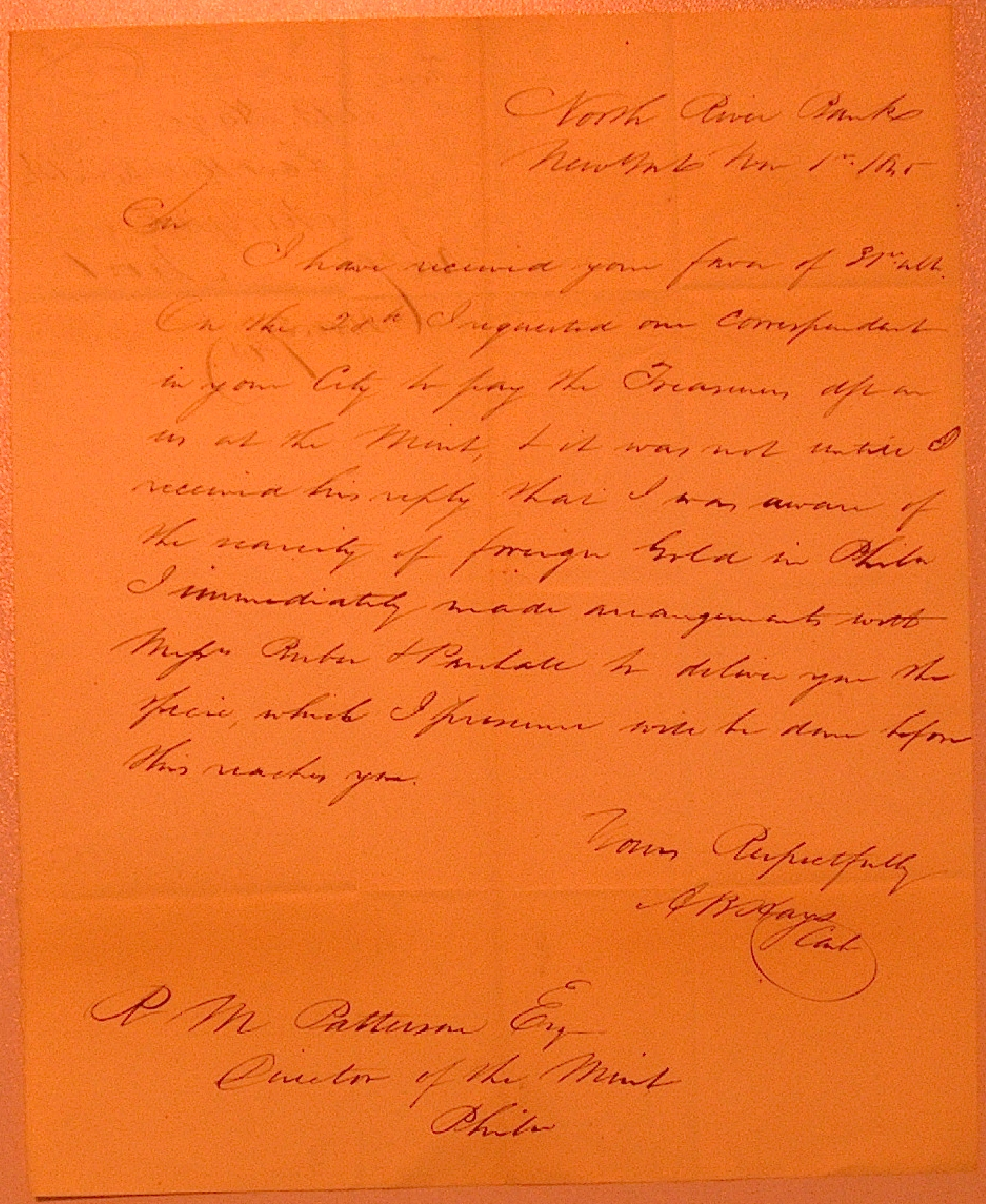
On the same day I wrote Mr Phillis as follows. "In accordance with your "letter [of 20th Oct^o] I have written to the Director of the Mint today that you will "pay the Transfer dft on us, for $15,000 on 1st Nov. at the Mint"

I trust therefore that the Bank of Pennsylvania will pay the draft to day at the Mint. If they do not, I pray you to be assured that the omission is an oversight or the result of misapprehension on their part. I shall remind Mr Eckfeldt of the payment by letter to day, and if the draft shall not have been paid when this letter reaches you I beg the favor that you will cause him to be notified. If from any cause the draft should not be paid on Monday I beg the further favor of advice from you by the mail of that day in order that I may dispatch a special messenger with the Coin on Tuesday from this City. Apologizing for the trouble this may cause you

I remain, Sir,

Your obliged & faithful Servt

Geo. Curtis Cy



North River Bank
New York Nov 1st 1845

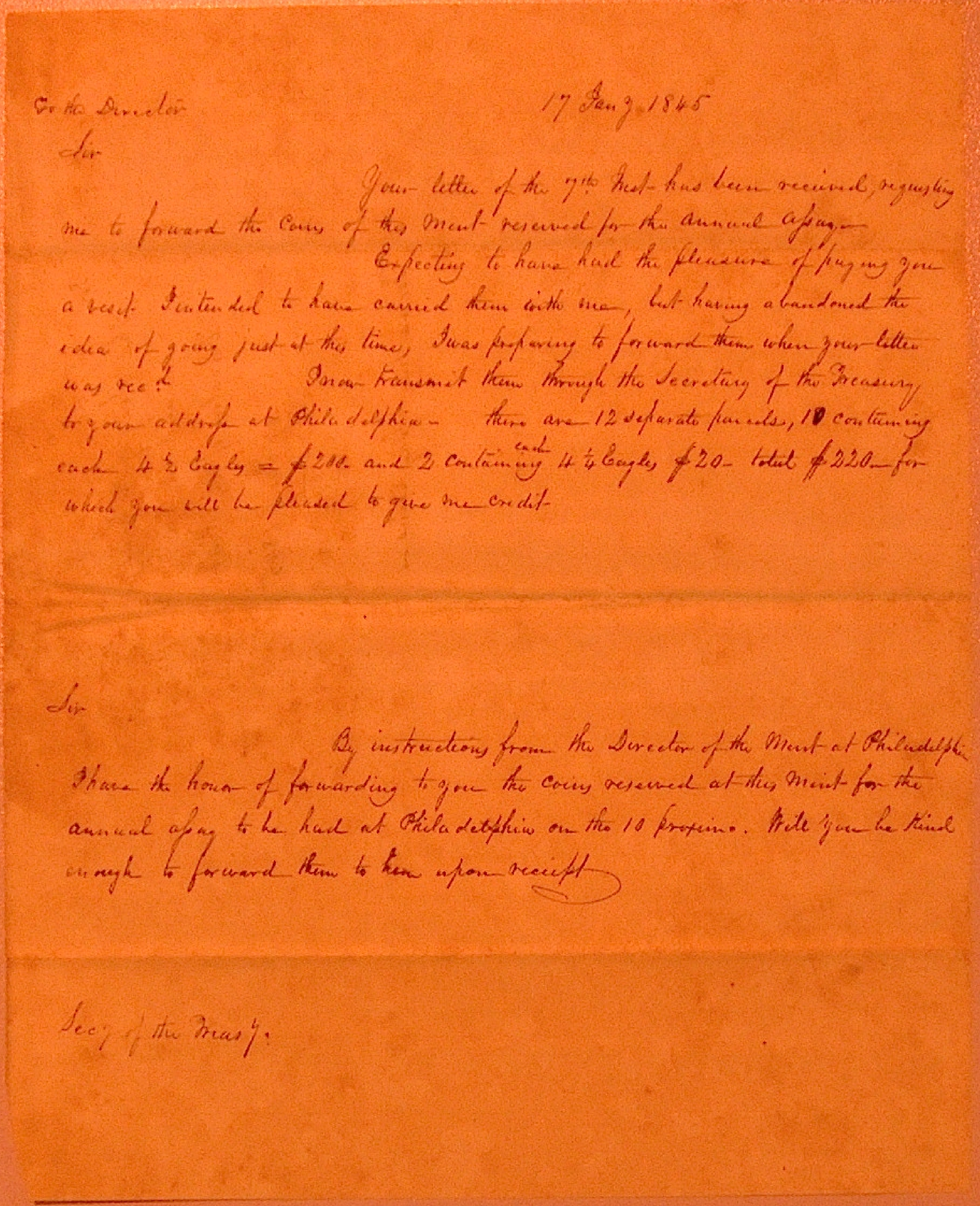
Sir

I have received your favor of 27th ult. On the 28th I requested our Correspondent in your City to pay the Treasurer, &c. &c. at the Mint, & it was not until I received his reply that I was aware of the scarcity of foreign Gold in Phila. I immediately made arrangements with Messrs. Reeber & Randall to deliver you the Specie, which I presume will be done before this reaches you.

Yours Respectfully
A B Hays
Cash.

R M Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint
Phila.

ESTIMATES & EXPENSES FOR REBUILDING THE MINT 1845 / JANUARY – DECEMBER



To the Director

17 Jany 1845

Sir

Your letter of the 7th Inst has been received, requesting me to forward the Coins of this Mint reserved for the annual Assay.

Expecting to have had the pleasure of paying you a visit I intended to have carried them with me, but having abandoned the idea of going just at this time, I was preparing to forward them when your letter was recd. I now transmit them through the Secretary of the Treasury to your address at Philadelphia – there are 12 separate parcels, 10 containing each 4 ½ Eagles = $200 and 2 containing each 4 ¼ Eagles, $20 – total $220 – for which you will be pleased to give me credit.

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Sir

By instructions from the Director of the Mint at Philadelphia I have the honor of forwarding to you the coins reserved at this Mint for the annual assay to be had at Philadelphia on the 10 proximo. Will you be kind enough to forward them to him upon receipt.

Secy of the Treasy.

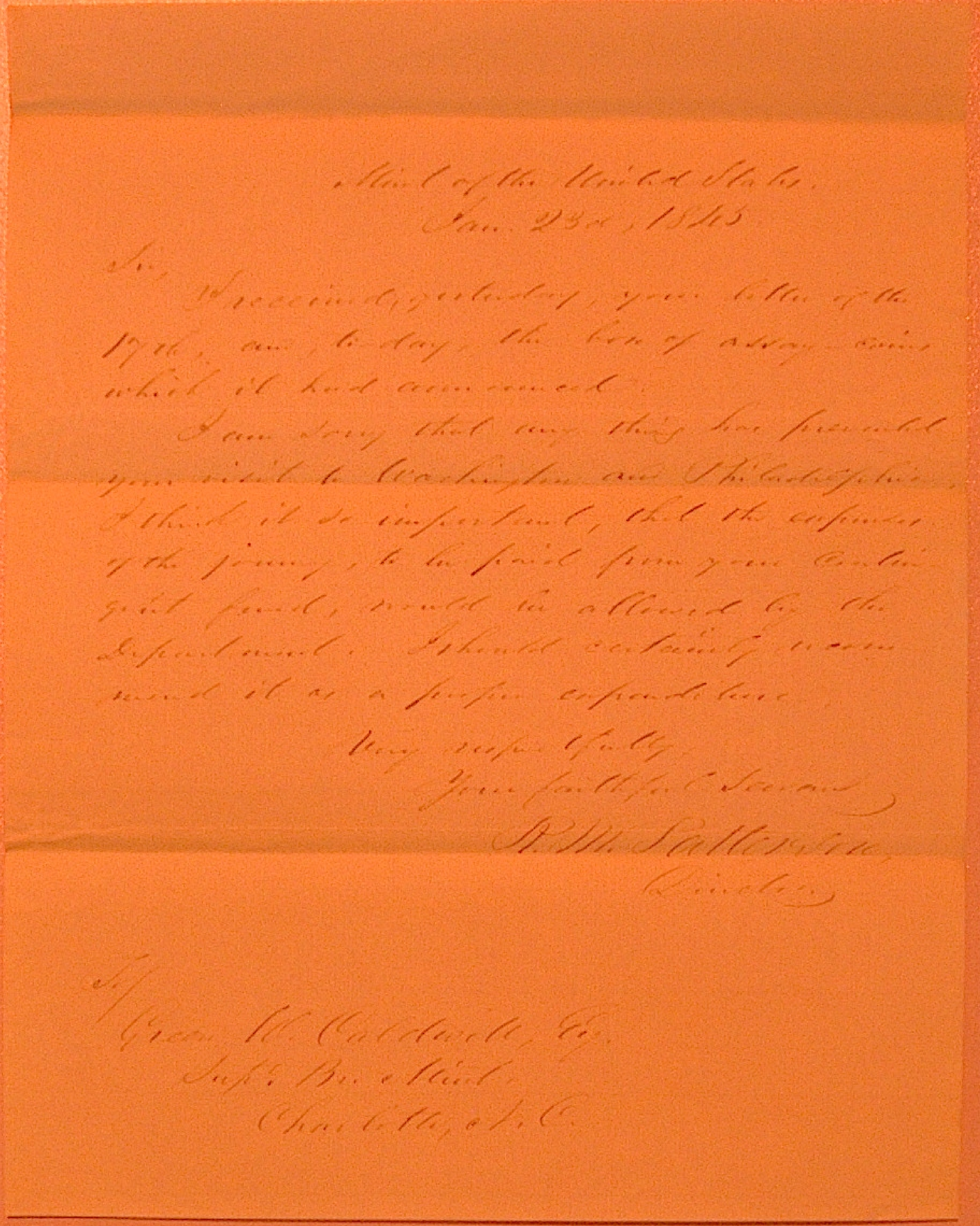
Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
January 20th 1845

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Bullion Accounts for the 3d Quarter of 1844 — —

With due respect
Your Obt Servant
Wm Collins
1st Auditor

To
Green Wm Caldwell Esq.
Treasurer &c
Charlotte N.C



Mint of the United States,
Jan. 23d, 1845.

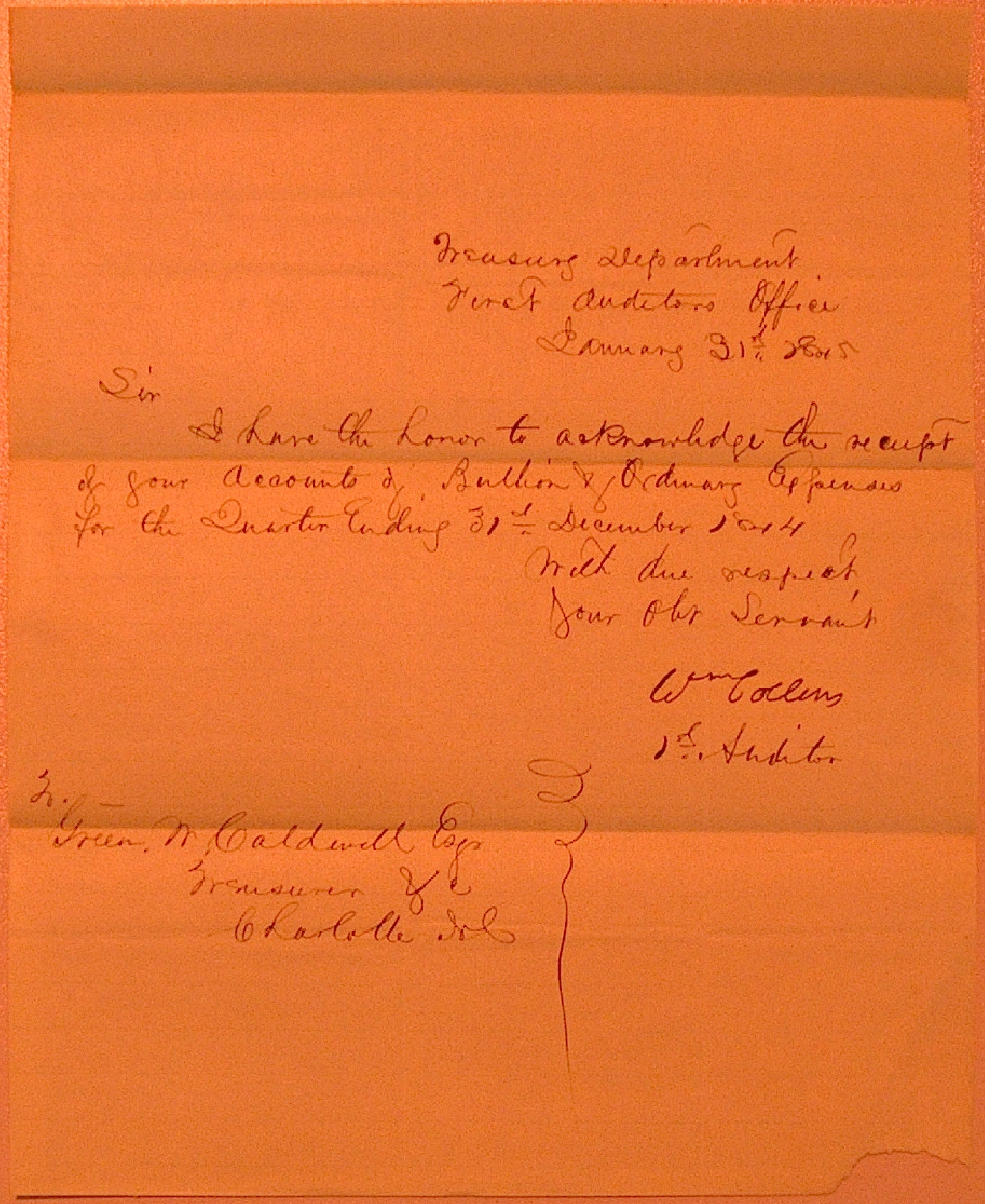
Sir,

I received, yesterday, your letter of the 17th, and, to-day, the box of assay coins which it had announced.

I am sorry that any thing has prevented your visit to Washington and Philadelphia. I think it so important, that the expenses of the journey, to be paid from your Contingent fund, would be allowed by the Department. I should certainly recommend it as a proper expenditure.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful Servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To
Green W. Caldwell, Esq.
Supt. Br. Mint.
Charlotte, N.C.



Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
January 31st 1845

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Accounts of Bullion & Ordinary Expenses for the Quarter Ending 31st December 1844

With due respect
Your Obt Servant

Wm Collins
1st Auditor

To
Green. W. Caldwell Esqr
Treasurer &c
Charlotte NC

Mint of the United States.
Jan. 7th, 1845.

Sir,

The day of the Annual Assay is now at hand, (10th proximo) and we have not yet received the coins, reserved for trial, from your Mint. Let me pray you to have them forwarded without delay, as heretofore.

I received a letter from Mr. Barringer this morning. The appropriation for reestablishing your Mint is before the Committee of Ways & Means. — That Committee has made inquiry as to the necessity of continuing your officers and salaries. I have answered that if the Mint is to be re-established, the official organization ought not, by any means, to be interrupted.

Very respectfully, Yr faithfully &c.
R. M. Patterson
Director

G. W. Caldwell Esq.
Supt. Br. Mint
Charlotte, N.C.

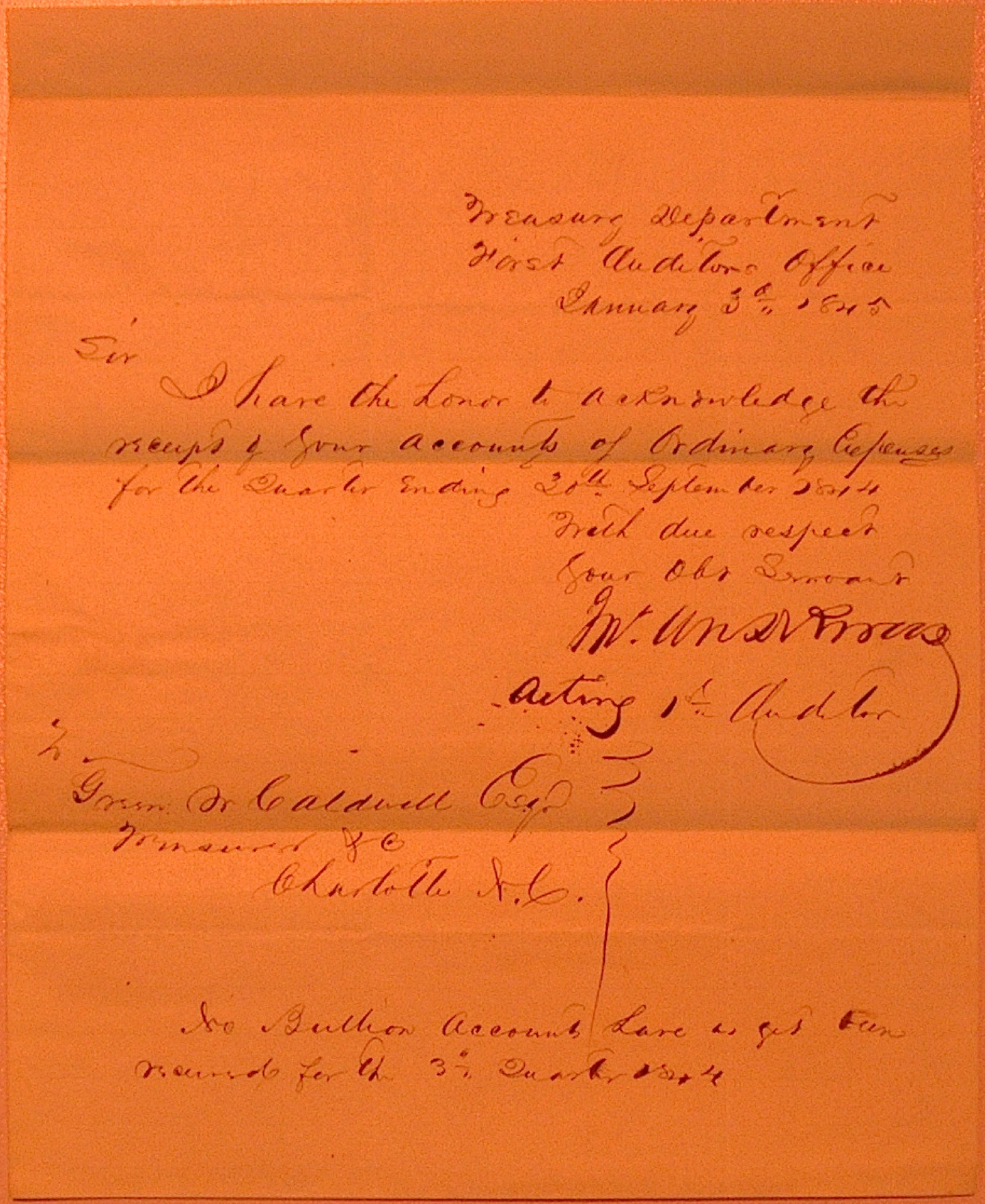
Mint of the United States,
Jan. 1st, 1845.

Sir,

Herewith I send a statement of my account with your Mint, for the quarter just ended, with the requisite vouchers. A balance remains in my hands to your credit of $344.60.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To
G. W. Caldwell, Esq.,
Supt. & Treas. Br. Mint,
Charlotte, N.C.



Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
January 3rd 1845

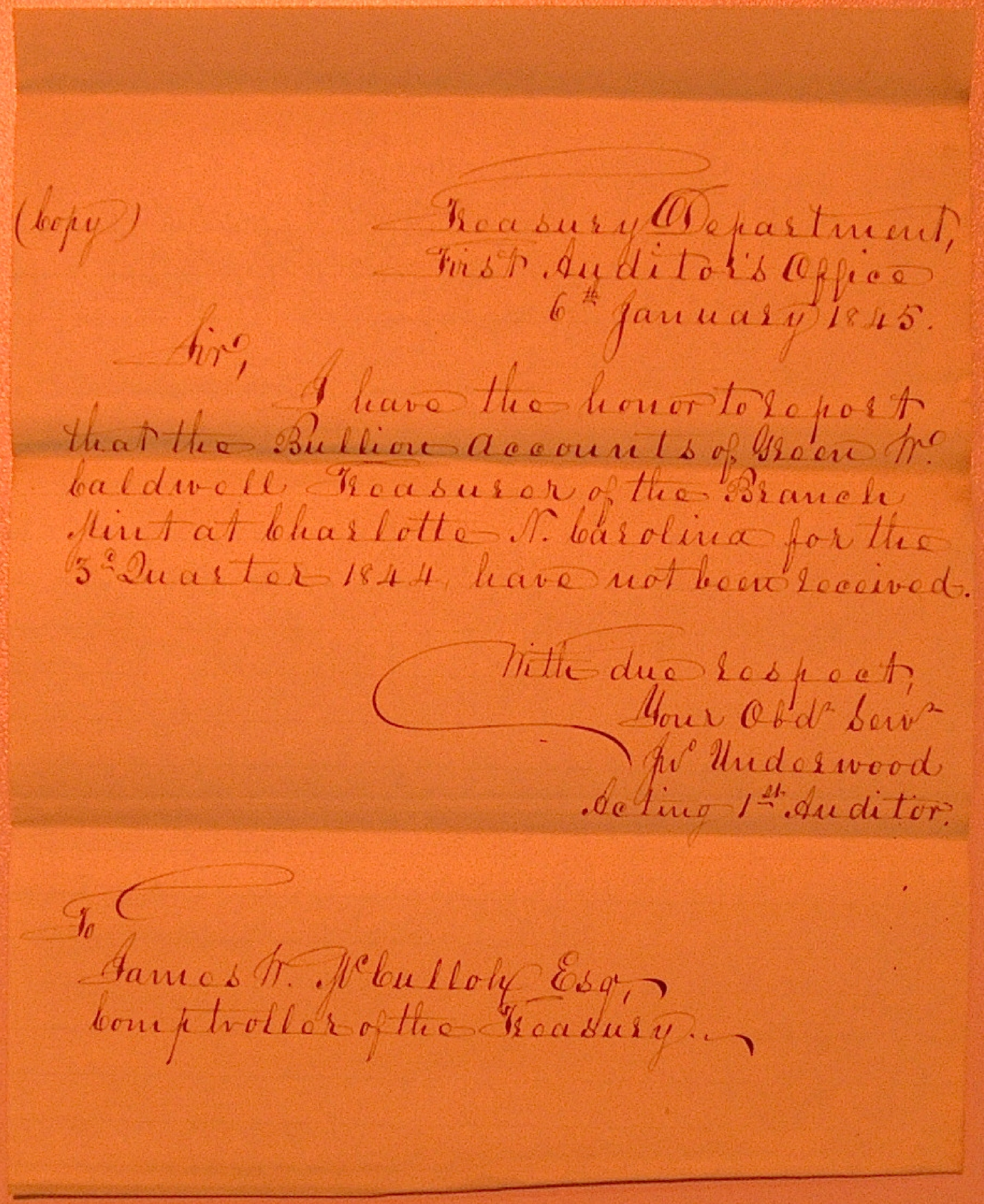
Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your accounts of Ordinary Expenses for the Quarter ending 30th September 1844

With due respect
Your Obt Servant
W. Underwood
Acting 1st Auditor

To
Green W. Caldwell Esq
Treasurer &c
Charlotte N.C.

No Bullion Accounts have as yet been received for the 3rd Quarter 1844



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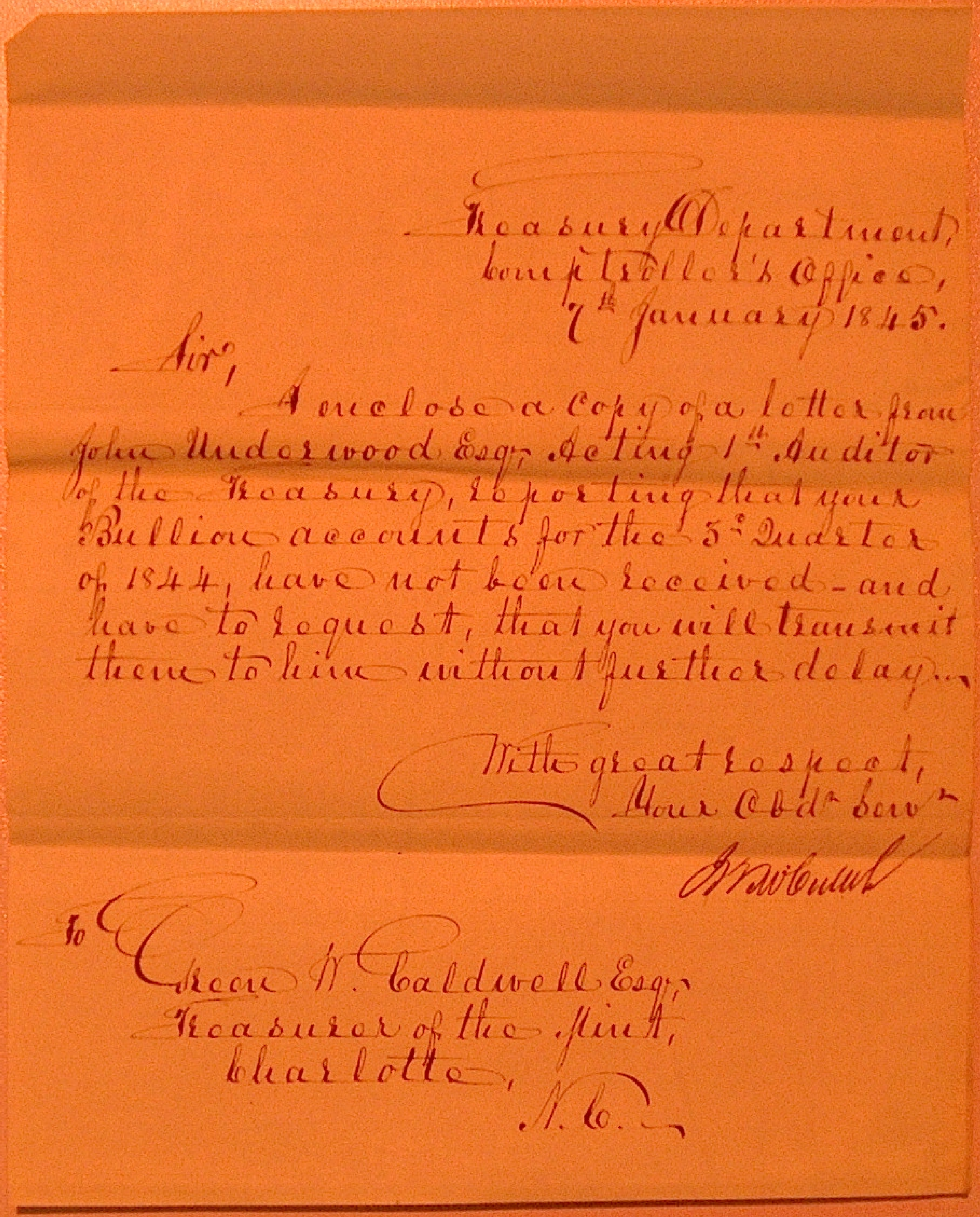
Treasury Department,
First Auditor's Office
6th January 1845.

Sir,

I have the honor to report that the Bullion Accounts of Green Wm Caldwell Treasurer of the Branch Mint at Charlotte N. Carolina for the 3d Quarter 1844, have not been received.

With due respect,
Your Obdt Servt
Jno Underwood
Acting 1st Auditor.

To
James W. McCulloh Esq,
Comptroller of the Treasury.



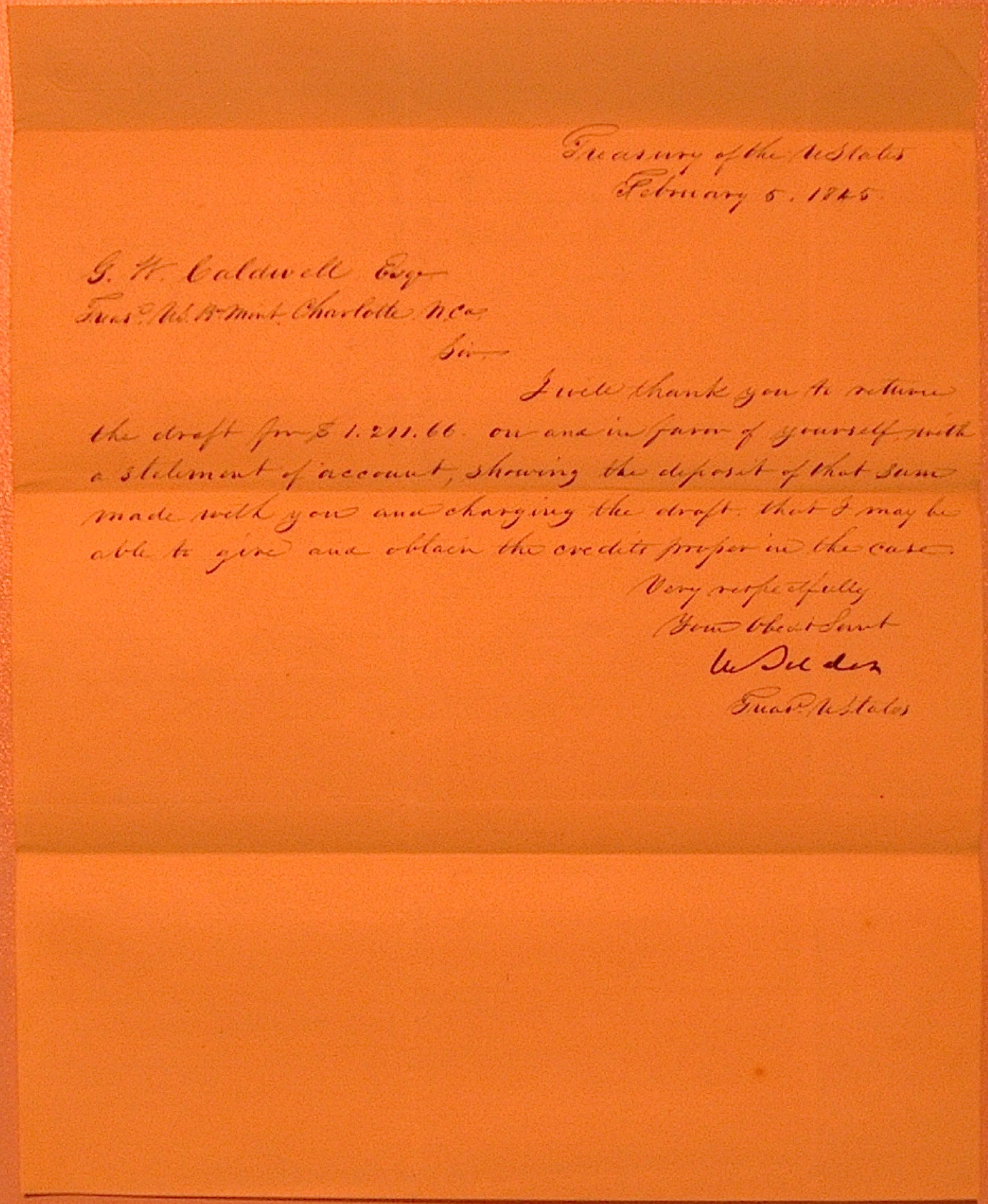
Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
7th January 1845.

Sir,

I enclose a copy of a letter from John Underwood Esqr. Acting 1st Auditor of the Treasury, reporting that your Bullion accounts for the 3d Quarter of 1844, have not been received – and have to request, that you will transmit them to him without further delay.

With great respect,
Your Obdt. Servt.
J W McCulloh

To
Green W. Caldwell Esqr.
Treasurer of the Mint,
Charlotte,
N. C.

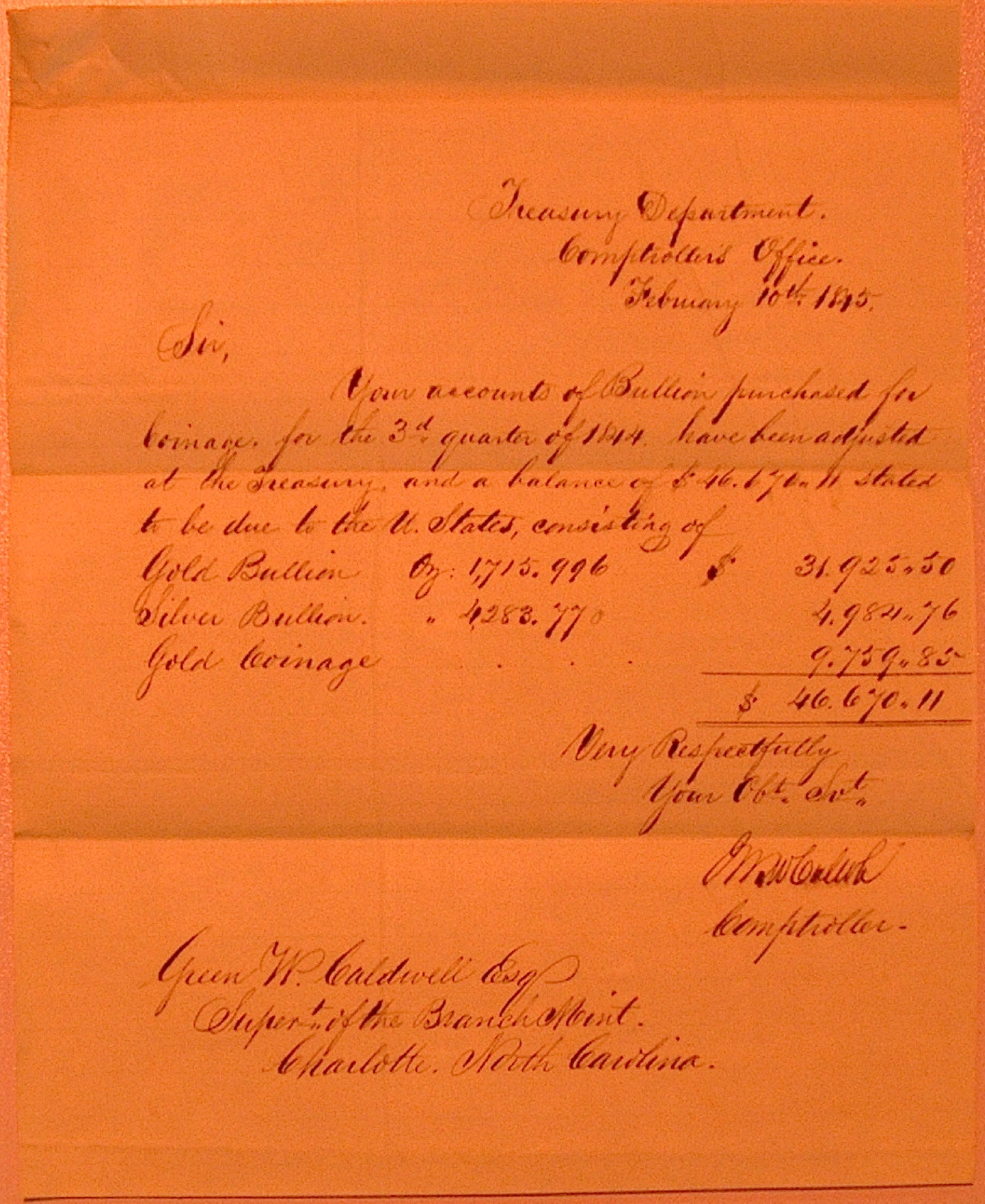


Treasury of the U States
February 5. 1845.

G. W. Caldwell Esq
Treas. U. S. Br Mint Charlotte N.Ca
Sir

I will thank you to return the draft for $1.211.66 on and in favor of yourself with a statement of account, showing the deposit of that sum made with you and charging the draft. that I may be able to give and obtain the credits proper in the case.

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
W Selden
Treas. U States



Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
February 10th 1845.

Sir,

Your accounts of Bullion purchased for coinage, for the 3d quarter of 1844, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $46.670.11 stated to be due to the U. States, consisting of

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Gold Bullion | Oz: 1715.996 | $ | 31.925.50 |
| Silver Bullion. | " 4283.770 | | 4.984.76 |
| Gold Coinage | . . . | | 9.759.85 |
| | | $ | 46.670.11 |

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.

J. W. McCulloch
Comptroller.

Green W. Caldwell Esq
Supert. of the Branch Mint.
Charlotte. North Carolina.

Results of the Annual Assay: held Feb. 10. 1845.

| Mints. | | Value. | | Standard Weight. | | Variations in Weight. | | | Fineness. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Dolls. | Cts. | Oz. | dec. | | Oz. | dec. | Ms. |
| Philadelphia: | Gold. | 947 | 50 | 50 | 928 | Below, | 0 | 008 | 899.9 |
| | Silver, | 107 | 10 | 92 | 039 | do. | 0 | 006 | 900.4 |
| New Orleans: | Gold, | 3,000 | 00 | 161 | 250 | do. | 0 | 026 | 899.8 |
| | Silver, | 236 | 70 | 203 | 414 | do. | 0 | 086 | 901.1 |
| Charlotte: | Gold, | 220 | 00 | 11 | 825 | ═══ | 0 | 000 | 899.7 |
| Dahlonega: | Gold, | 1,107 | 50 | 59 | 528 | Below, – | 0 | 021 | 899.5 |

Mint of the United States,
Feb. 19, 1845.

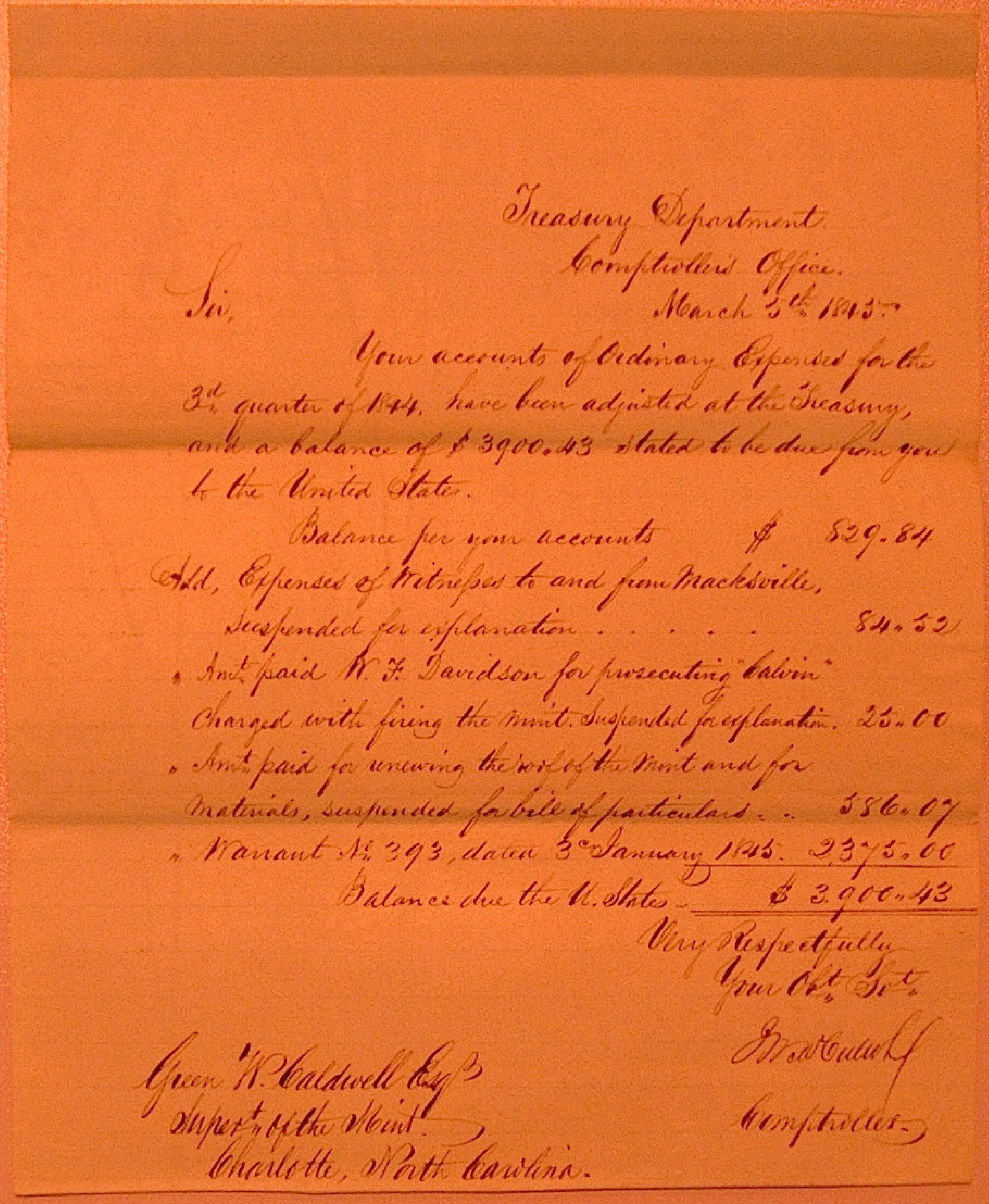
Sir,

Above I send you the results of the Annual Assay. All the variations being within the limits prescribed by law, the Commissioners approved the Coinage of the Mint & Branches in the year 1844.

The value of your coins ($220.00) has been placed to your credit in my ofc.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To/
G. W. Caldwell, Esq.,
Supt. Br. Mint,
Charlotte, N.C.



Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
March 5th 1845.

Sir,

Your accounts of Ordinary Expenses for the 3rd quarter of 1844, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 3900.43 stated to be due from you to the United States.

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance per your accounts | $ 829.84 |
| Add, Expenses of Witnesses to and from Macksville, suspended for explanation . . . . . | 84.52 |
| " Amt. paid W. F. Davidson for prosecuting "Calvin" charged with firing the mint. Suspended for explanation. | 25.00 |
| " Amt. paid for renewing the roof of the mint and for materials, suspended for bill of particulars . . | 586.07 |
| " Warrant No. 393, dated 3d January 1845. | 2375.00 |
| Balance due the U. States | $ 3,900.43 |

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.
J W McCulloch
Comptroller.

Green W. Caldwell Esqr.
Supert. of the Mint.
Charlotte, North Carolina.

Charlotte N.C. 14 March 1845

Sir

Your letter of the 5 Inst. informing me that my Accts for Ordinary Expenses for the 3d Quarter of 1844 had been adjusted at the Treasury and that several items in the accounts had been suspended for explanations.

As to the first item "Expenses of Witnesses to & from Mocksville $84.52" I have to state, that ~~immediately~~ after the burning of the Mint, strong suspicions attached to a Boy belonging to Col: Gaither called Calvin — the circumstances seemed so strong against him, that I not only felt warranted but deemed it my duty to have him apprehended as the incendiary — application was made to one of the Judges of our State Courts who issued his Warrant against him, returnable at his residence in Mocksville a village about 60 miles from this place — the Witnesses in the case were principally free negroes and slaves, in all about 19 for whom, it was necessary, in order to insure their attendance that I should procure means of conveyance — thus the item as above charged ~~was~~ consists of the hire of conveyances and the support of said Witnesses going, remaining and returning —

~~As to~~ The 2d item "Amt paid Wm F. Davidson for prosecuting Calvin $25." was a fee paid by me to Mr Davidson for accompanying me to attend ~~at~~ the trial of said Calvin and examining the Witnesses before the Judge which I considered to be a very proper and reasonable charge —

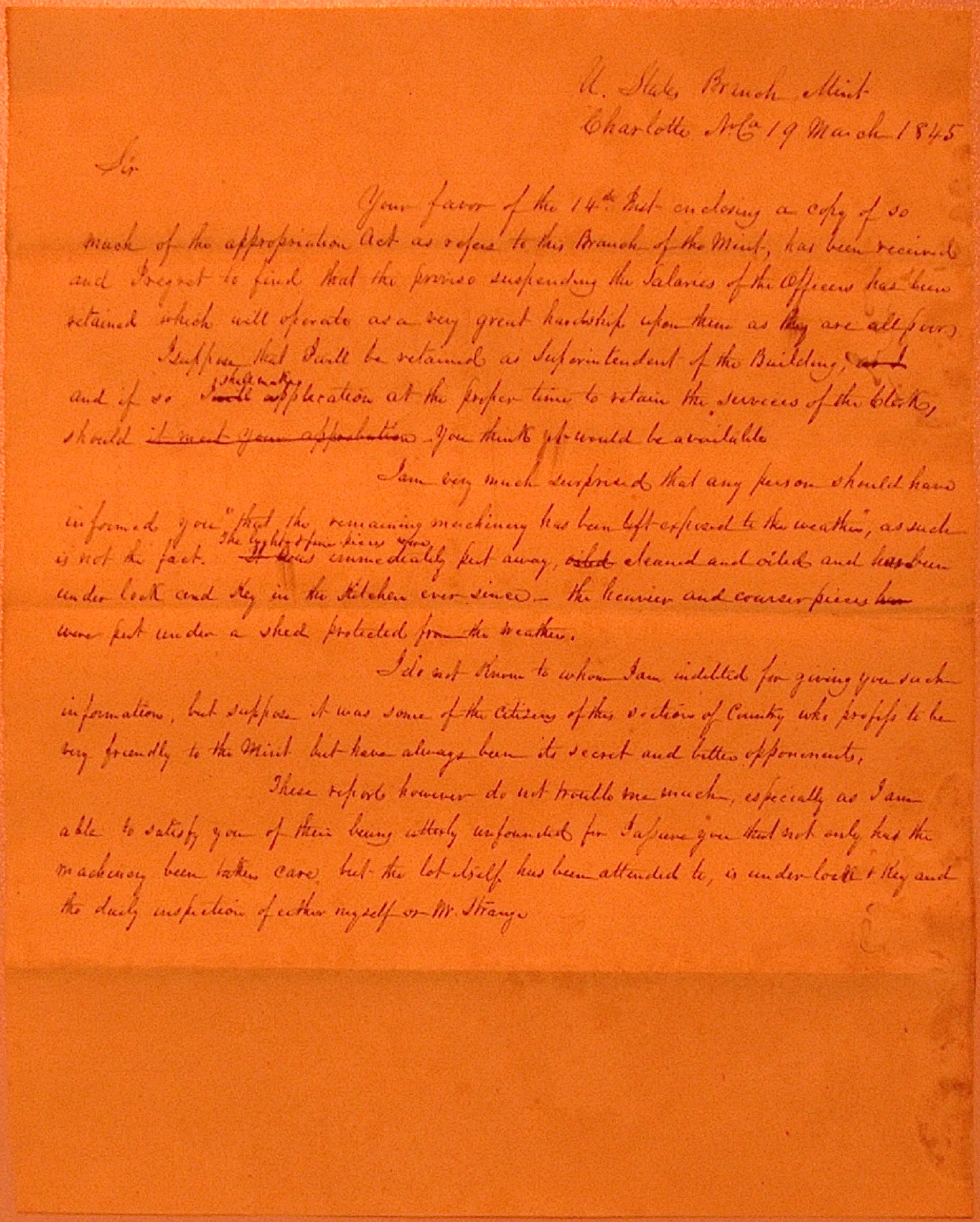
As to the 3d item, Amt paid for recovering the roof of the Mint and for materials $586.07. ~~I have~~ to state that in consequence of the insufficiency of the old roof an appropriation of $1000. was made at the 1st Session of the last Congress, for recovering the Mint, I accordingly made a contract with Wm. H. Todd to do the work and find all the materials except the copper for the gutters & vallies for $550. when he came to uncover the roof we found it was necessary to raise the gutters in order to ensure a free discharge of the water from the roof for which extra labour he charged $36.07. making the Amt ~~amount~~ as above stated of $586.07.—

As to the last item "Warrant No 393 dated 3 Jany 1845. for $2.375. you will perceive upon a comparison of dates that I could not have charged myself with that amount in Septemr. I have have however given the United States credit for that ~~Credits~~ in my a/cs of Ordinary Expenses for the 4 Quarter of 1844.

For your information I enclose you a copy of the Judge's opinion on the trial of the Boy Calvin—

~~Very~~ respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.



U. States Branch Mint
Charlotte N.Ca 19 March 1845

Sir

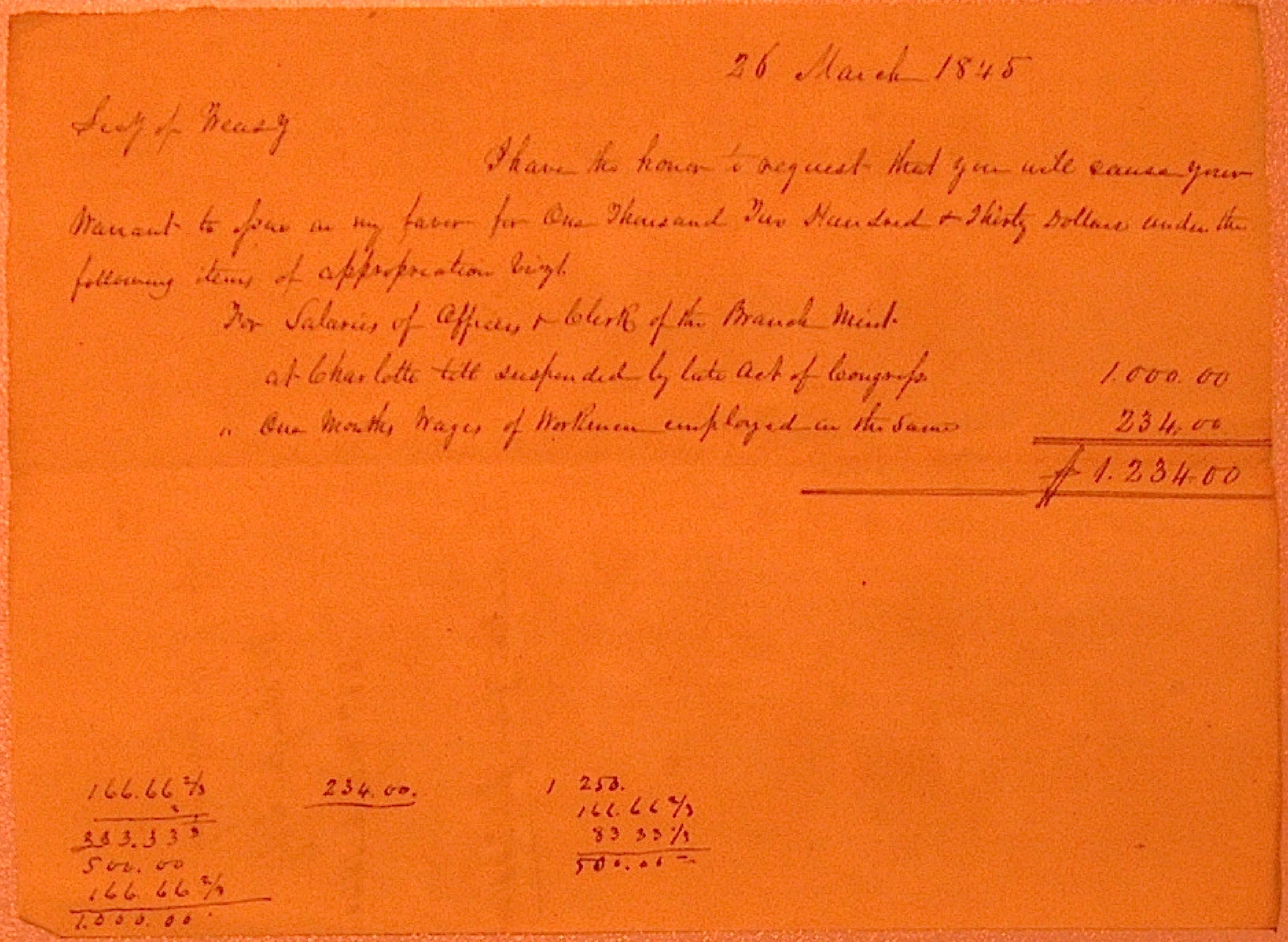
Your favor of the 14th Inst enclosing a copy of so much of the appropriation Act as refers to this Branch of the Mint, has been received and I regret to find that the proviso suspending the Salaries of the Officers has been retained which will operate as a very great hardship upon them as they are all poor,

I suppose that I will be retained as Superintendent of the Building, ~~and I~~ and if so ~~shall~~ shall make application at the proper time to retain the services of the Clerk, should ~~it meet your approbation~~ you think it would be available

I am very much surprised that any person should have informed you "that the remaining machinery has been left exposed to the weather", as such is not the fact. ~~It was~~ The lighter & finer pieces were immediately put away, ~~oiled~~ cleaned and oiled and ~~has~~ been under lock and key in the Kitchen ever since — the heavier and coarser pieces ~~have~~ were put under a shed protected from the weather.

I do not know to whom I am indebted for giving you such information, but suppose it was some of the Citizens of this section of Country who profess to be very friendly to the Mint but have always been its secret and bitter opponents,

These reports however do not trouble me much, especially as I am able to satisfy you of their being utterly unfounded for I assure you that not only has the machinery been taken care, but the lot itself has been attended to, is under lock & key and the daily inspection of either myself or Mr. Strange



26 March 1845

Secy of Treasy

I have the honor to request that you will cause your Warrant to issue in my favor for One Thousand Two Hundred & Thirty Dollars under the following items of appropriation Viz:

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|---|---|
| For Salaries of Officers & Clerk of the Branch Mint at Charlotte till suspended by late Act of Congress | 1.000.00 |
| " One Months Wages of Workmen employed in the same | 234.00 |
| | $ 1.234.00 |

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Hengh.

26 March 1845.

Having only received a copy of the Act of last Seſsion of Congreſs relative to the rebuilding ~~of the Branch~~ of the Mint from the Director by last mail, I was unable before to day to make a requisition for the Salaries of the Officers ~~& Clerk~~ as the form and ~~regulation~~ amount of the requisition depended upon the ~~passing~~ wording of the Act. As soon as the funds are received I shall forward to you my a/cs of Ordinary Expenditures for the 1st Quarter of 1845, which will be nothing more than the payment of the Officers' salaries & one Months wages of the men.

Will it be neceſsary to transmit Quarterly returns of my Gold & Silver Bullion a/cs, as those a/cs will neceſsarily remain as stated on the 31 Decr. 44?

First Auditor Treasy Departt
Washington City

16th April 1845.

To the Director

Sir

Your letter of the 5th Inst was received accompanied by of copy of a letter from the Secy of Treasy and the specifications for rebuilding the Branch Mint in this place

Under these instructions and specifications, I have engaged with a single Contractor to do the whole work ~~for $20 000~~. ~~The Contractor is a first rate~~ conceiving that it would be more faithfully and speedily executed under one contract than under two or three, the responsibility not being divided one would feel himself under greater inducements to see that the whole was properly and faithfully executed, than being divided into 3 or more contracts each only looked to his own portion of the work to be executed.

Mr. Henry C. Owens, a resident of this place with whom I have contracted, ~~is~~ is a faithful and skilful workman, a man of character and responsibility ~~and~~ and one who will ~~feel~~ take a deep interest in the ~~character of the work~~ faithful execution of the work. He enters into Bond with good sureties in the penal sum of $30 000. for the faithful performance of the work according to the instructions, specifications, and drawings of the Building by the 1st day of January 1846, for which I agree to give him on behalf the government $20.000 — He commences operations immediately I will therefore thank you to have the ~~plans and~~ drawings forwarded to me ~~at~~ your earliest convenience.

I have no doubt I have made a good contract for the Government in ~~insuring a well executed Building~~ every point of view, not only in saving $5.000 of the appropriation but also in insuring a well executed Building by contracting with a resident of this place in whom the community have every confidence, not so with those who might come from abroad, whose only anxiety is about the contract price

as recently evidenced, in a New Court House built in this place by a stranger
age and even the former building of the Mint

Hoping it will meet your approbation
I am Sir
Very respectfully

To the Director
Philadelphia
15th April 1845

Informing him of having
made a contract for building

Mint of the United States,
April 19, 1845.

Sir,

I send herewith my account with your Mint, for the first quarter of the present year, showing a balance to your credit of Four hundred & fifty 60/100 dollars.

On the 10th inst, there was forwarded to you a crate of stone-ware ordered before the burning of the Mint.

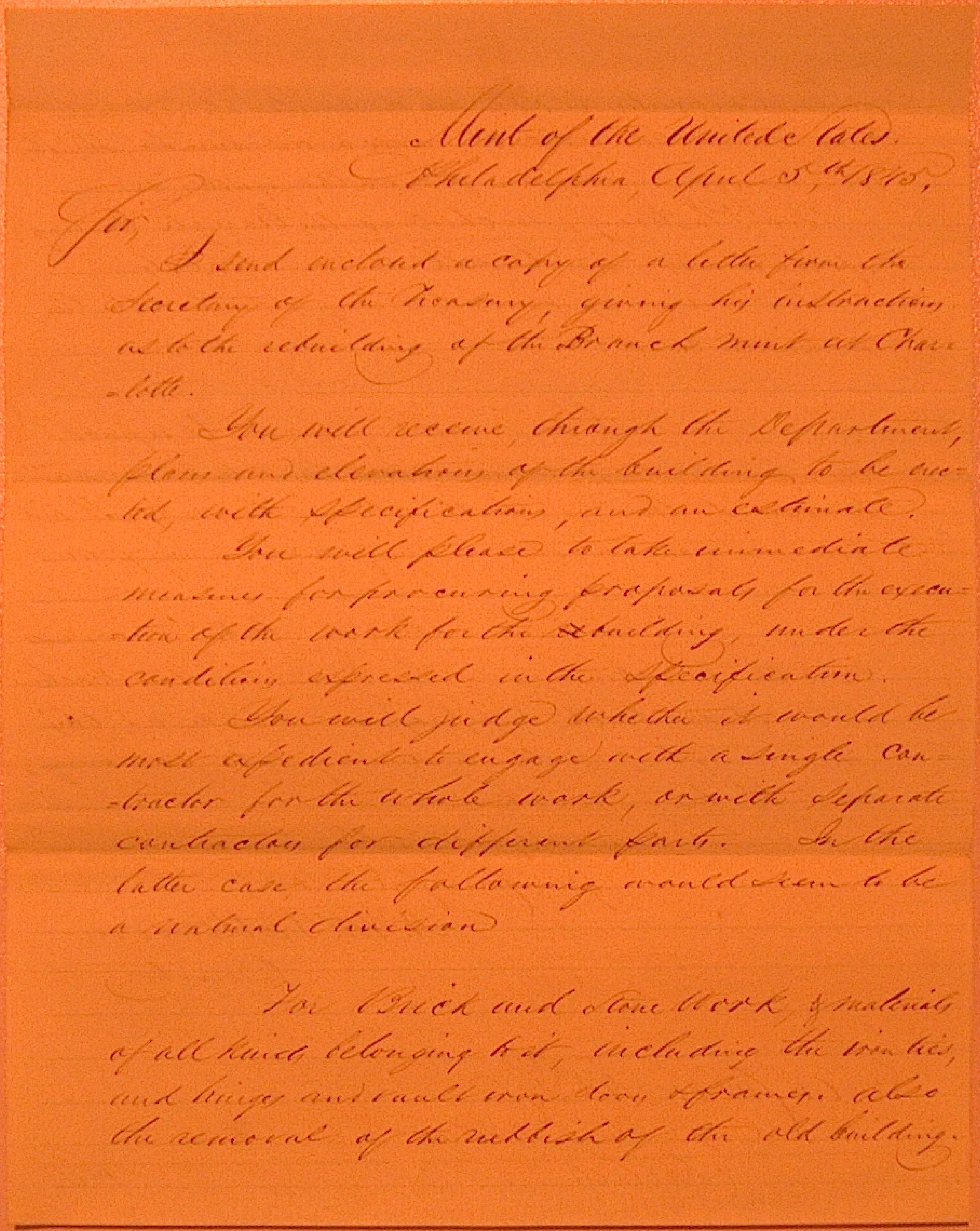
I send enclosed an estimate of the expense of rebuilding the Charlotte Branch Mint. As we are ignorant of the cost of materials and labor at that place, our estimate must necessarily be very imperfect; but even an approximation may be useful to you in making your contracts. In the printed estimates laid before Congress the item of painting & glazing was accidentally omitted.

I am anxious to hear of your progress in the important work committed to you, and have to beg that you will write to me frequently & fully. The position in which the recent act of Congress has placed your fellow-officers makes it of the deepest interest to them that the work should be hastened to a conclusion with all possible dispatch.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To/
G. W. Caldwell, Esq.,
Supt. Br. Mint,
Charlotte, N.C.

P.S. A workman here, who is in high estimation, has an intention of offering proposals for your building, which I shall forward to you. I have just learned this.



Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, April 5th 1845,

Sir,

I send enclosed a copy of a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, giving his instructions as to the rebuilding of the Branch Mint at Charlotte.

You will receive through the Department, plans and elevations of the building to be erected, with Specifications, and an estimate.

You will please to take immediate measures for procuring proposals for the execution of the work for the rebuilding, under the conditions expressed in the Specification.

You will judge whether it would be most expedient to engage with a single contractor for the whole work, or with separate contractors for different parts. In the latter case the following would seem to be a natural division

For Brick and Stone Work & materials of all kinds belonging to it, including the iron ties, and hinges and vault iron doors & frames; also the removal of the rubbish of the old building.

For Carpenter work and materials of all kinds connected with it, such as lumber, shingles, iron-mongery, copper for valley gutters, &c.

For Plastering, including the Rough Casting of the walls, and all the materials.

For Painting and Glazing, and all the materials used.

You will please to report your proceedings to me, from time to time; and be assured that I shall always be happy to aid you, in your work, in every way in my power.

I have already taken measures as to the machinery. The Press, milling-machine and draw-bench, I propose to make at this Mint. This will ensure greater economy, and the best work.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful Servt,
R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To
G. W. Caldwell Esqr.
Supt. U.S. Br. Mint
Charlotte N.C.

P.S.

P.S. As I find it necessary to revise the estimates, I must postpone sending them to you, for a few days.

Treasury Department,
April 2d 1835.

Sir,

In consequence of the great press of business in the Department, I could not give earlier attention to your communications dated the 13th & 27th ulto, which were duly received.

I have now to say that the plan for the building for the Branch Mint to be erected at Charlotte is approved. The building will be constructed under your general Superintendence and direction — Mr. G. W. Caldwell, the Superintendent at Charlotte, being retained for the purpose of carrying out the details.

You will be pleased therefore, to give the necessary instructions to Mr. Caldwell urging a completion of the work as rapidly as may be consistent with its faithful execution, and earnestly enforcing upon him the necessity of not exceeding in his expenditures the amount appropriated by Congress.

The plan submitted by you is in the Department, and will be transmitted to you or to Mr. Caldwell as you may desire.

The estimates &c. were sent to the Committee of Ways and Means, but it is presumed can be obtained again if you have not copies.

I remain

Very resp.y

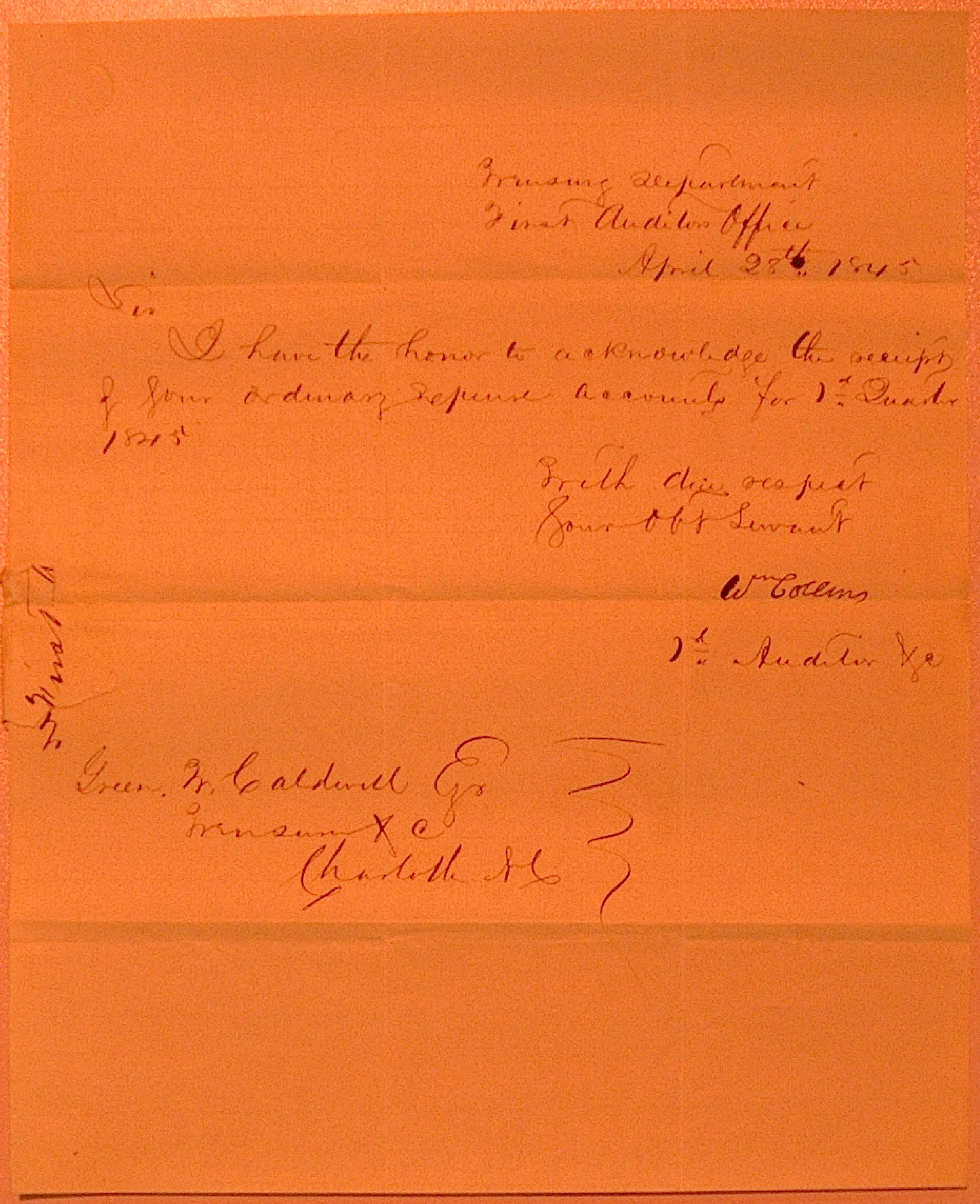
(Signed) R. J. Walker

Secy of the Treasy

Dr. R. M. Patterson

Director of the Mint

Philadelphia



Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
April 28th 1845

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your ordinary expense accounts for 1st Quarter 1845

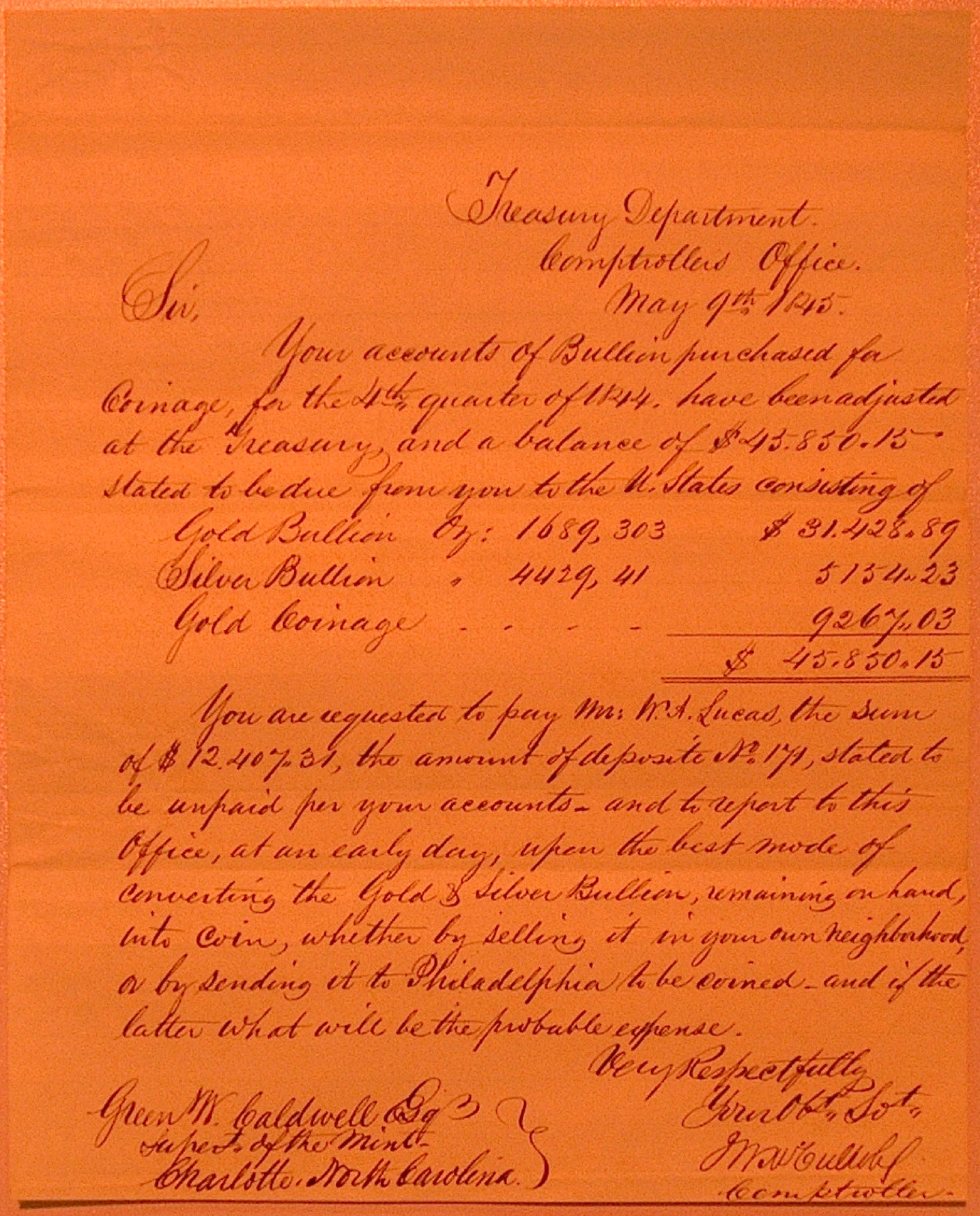
With due respect
Your Obt Servant

Wm Collins

1st Auditor &c

Wm First

Green W. Caldwell Esq
Treasurer &c
Charlotte N.C.



Treasury Department.
Comptrollers Office.
May 9th 1845.

Sir,

Your accounts of Bullion purchased for Coinage, for the 4th quarter of 1844. have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $45.850.15 stated to be due from you to the U. States consisting of

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gold Bullion | Oz: 1689, 303 | $ 31.428.89 |
| Silver Bullion | " 4429, 41 | 5154.23 |
| Gold Coinage | - - - - | 9267.03 |
| | | $ 45.850.15 |

You are requested to pay Mr. W. A. Lucas, the sum of $12.407.31, the amount of deposite No. 171, stated to be unpaid per your accounts - and to report to this Office, at an early day, upon the best mode of converting the Gold & Silver Bullion, remaining on hand, into coin, whether by selling it in your own neighborhood, or by sending it to Philadelphia to be coined - and if the latter what will be the probable expense.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.
J. W. McCulloh
Comptroller

Green W. Caldwell Esqr.
Supert. of the Mint
Charlotte. North Carolina.

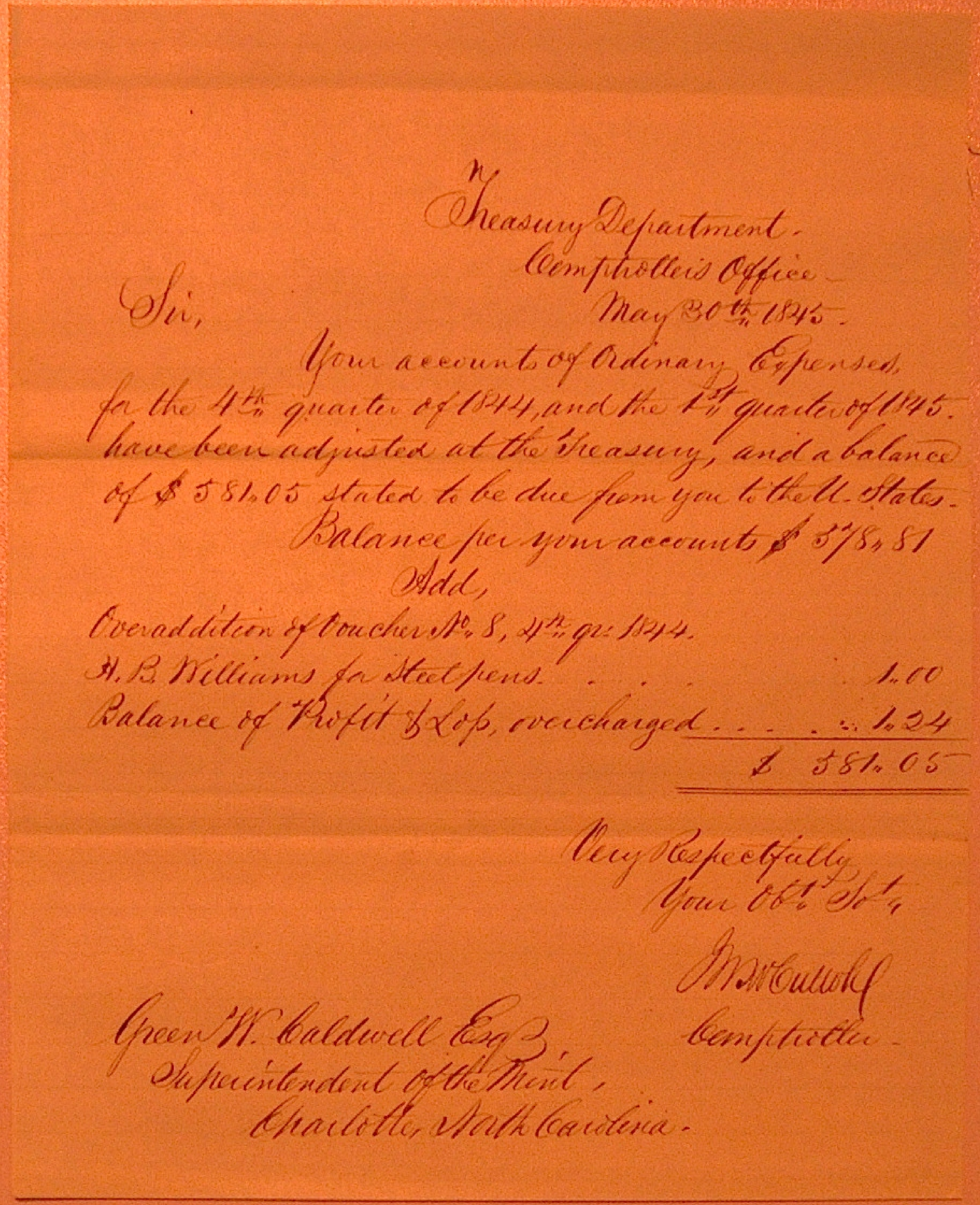
23rd May 1845.

To the Comptroller
Washington City
Sir

Your letter of the 9th Inst has been received containing an adjustment at the Treasury of my Gold & Silver accounts for the Quarter ending 31 Decemr 1844 in which you strike a balance in favor of the U States of $45.857.15. and requesting to know the best mode of converting the Gold and Silver Bullion remaining on hand into Coin.

The only manner in which it can be done advantageously will be to employ some responsible person to take it to Phila to the Mint, as the Bank here will not ~~only~~ insists upon my paying the ~~freight~~ expenses and taking the risk of transportation but demands interest till a returns can be had from Phila ~~and then will only engage to pay in paper money~~ — The expense of employing an Agent to carry it to Phila will probably be somewhat between $150 & 200 — which will be less than selling it to the Bank upon the above the terms, no other persons in this section of country being able or willing to purchase so large an amount of Bullion.

Waiting your further instructions —
I am very respectfully



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Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office
May 30th 1845.

Sir,

Your accounts of Ordinary Expenses, for the 4th quarter of 1844, and the 1st quarter of 1845. have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 581.05 stated to be due from you to the U. States.

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|---|---|
| Balance per your accounts | $ 578.81 |
| Add, | |
| Overaddition of voucher No. 8, 4th qr. 1844. | |
| H. B. Williams for Steel pens. . . . . | 1.00 |
| Balance of Profit & Loss, overcharged . . . . | 1.24 |
| | $ 581.05 |

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. St.

J W McCulloch
Comptroller.

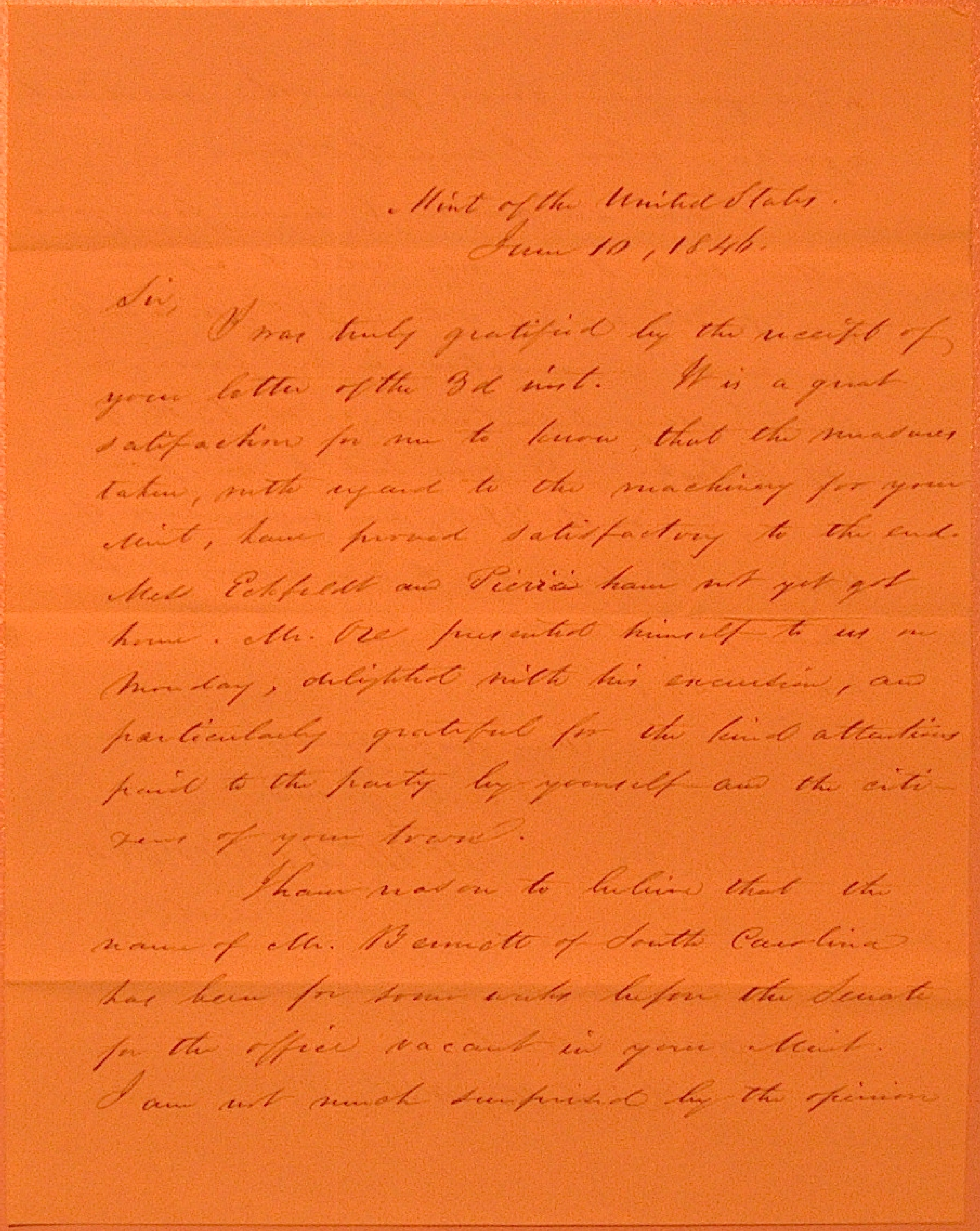
Green W. Caldwell Esq.
Superintendent of the Mint,
Charlotte, North Carolina.

U. States Branch Mint
Charlotte N. Ca 6th June 1845

Sir

I have the pleasure of informing you that we are getting on rapidly in the rebuilding of the Mint — all the ~~rubbish~~ walls have been pulled down to the stone foundation and the rubbish carted away — the Brickmakers & Stone Masons are busily engaged — and the bricks that have been made so far are of a very fine quality —

In the specifications I notice that the Roof of the Building is to be covered with cedar shingles, I am informed that shingles of that description cannot be procured any where near to this section of country — but that cypress or juniper shingles can be obtained in any quantities from the ~~swamps~~ of the low country of this State or from South Carolina — I would suggest whether it would not be better, safer, and in fact more economical to expend the $5000 — saved in the contract for building in covering the Roof with copper if it could be done for that amount. Should the suggestion meet your approbation would you have the goodness to have an estimate of the probable expense made and forwarded to me or should it be deemed ~~unnecessary~~ inexpedient to cover with copper, am I to insist that the shingles to be put on shall be of cedar.



Mint of the United States.
June 10, 1846.

Sir,

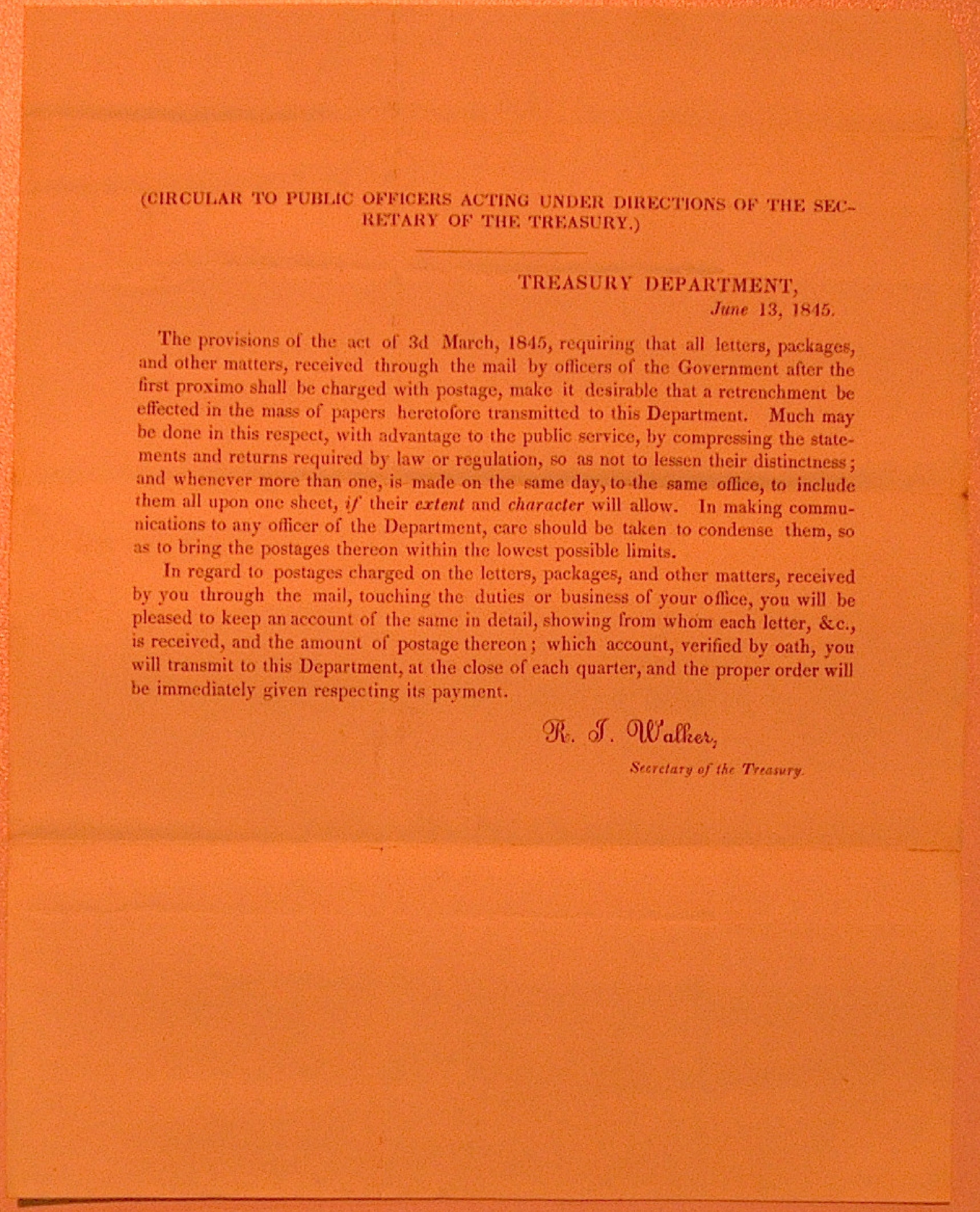
I was truly gratified by the receipt of your letter of the 3d inst. It is a great satisfaction for me to know, that the measures taken, with regard to the machinery for your Mint, have proved satisfactory to the end. Messrs Eckfeldt and Peirce have not yet got home. Mr. Ord presented himself to us on Monday, delighted with his excursion, and particularly grateful for the kind attentions paid to the party by yourself and the citizens of your town.

I have reason to believe that the name of Mr. Bennett of South Carolina has been for some weeks before the Senate for the office vacant in your Mint. I am not much surprised by the opinion which you have given of another candidate regarding whom I consulted you.

I was surprised to learn, from your letter, that I had neglected to inform you of the receipt of the $500, for which you made a requisition, in my favor, on the Treasury Department, on the 15th of April last. It was sent to me, from Washington on the 21st, and received on the 22d. The draft was to my order, on the Philadelphia Bank, No. 2475, on Treasury warrant 4944.

Very respectfully
& truly yours,
R. M. Patterson,
Director

G. W. Caldwell, Esq.,
Supt. Br. Mint,
Charlotte, N.C.



(CIRCULAR TO PUBLIC OFFICERS ACTING UNDER DIRECTIONS OF THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.)

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
*June* 13, 1845.

The provisions of the act of 3d March, 1845, requiring that all letters, packages, and other matters, received through the mail by officers of the Government after the first proximo shall be charged with postage, make it desirable that a retrenchment be effected in the mass of papers heretofore transmitted to this Department. Much may be done in this respect, with advantage to the public service, by compressing the statements and returns required by law or regulation, so as not to lessen their distinctness; and whenever more than one, is made on the same day, to the same office, to include them all upon one sheet, *if* their *extent* and *character* will allow. In making communications to any officer of the Department, care should be taken to condense them, so as to bring the postages thereon within the lowest possible limits.

In regard to postages charged on the letters, packages, and other matters, received by you through the mail, touching the duties or business of your office, you will be pleased to keep an account of the same in detail, showing from whom each letter, &c., is received, and the amount of postage thereon; which account, verified by oath, you will transmit to this Department, at the close of each quarter, and the proper order will be immediately given respecting its payment.

R. J. Walker,
*Secretary of the Treasury.*

14th June 1845.

Sir

I have the honor to request that you will cause your Warrant to iſsue in my favor for Three Thousand Dollars under the appropriation made at last Seſsion of Congreſs for rebuilding the Mint in this place $3.000.00

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14 June 1845.

Sir

I have the honor &c — that you will cause your warrant to iſsue in my favor for Five hundred and Sixty Six 66⅔ Dollars being my Salary as Superintendent of the Branch Mint in this place from 1 March to 30 Inst under the item of appropriation for Salaries of Officers & Clerks of said Branch $666.66⅔.

Mint of the United States
July 17, 1845.

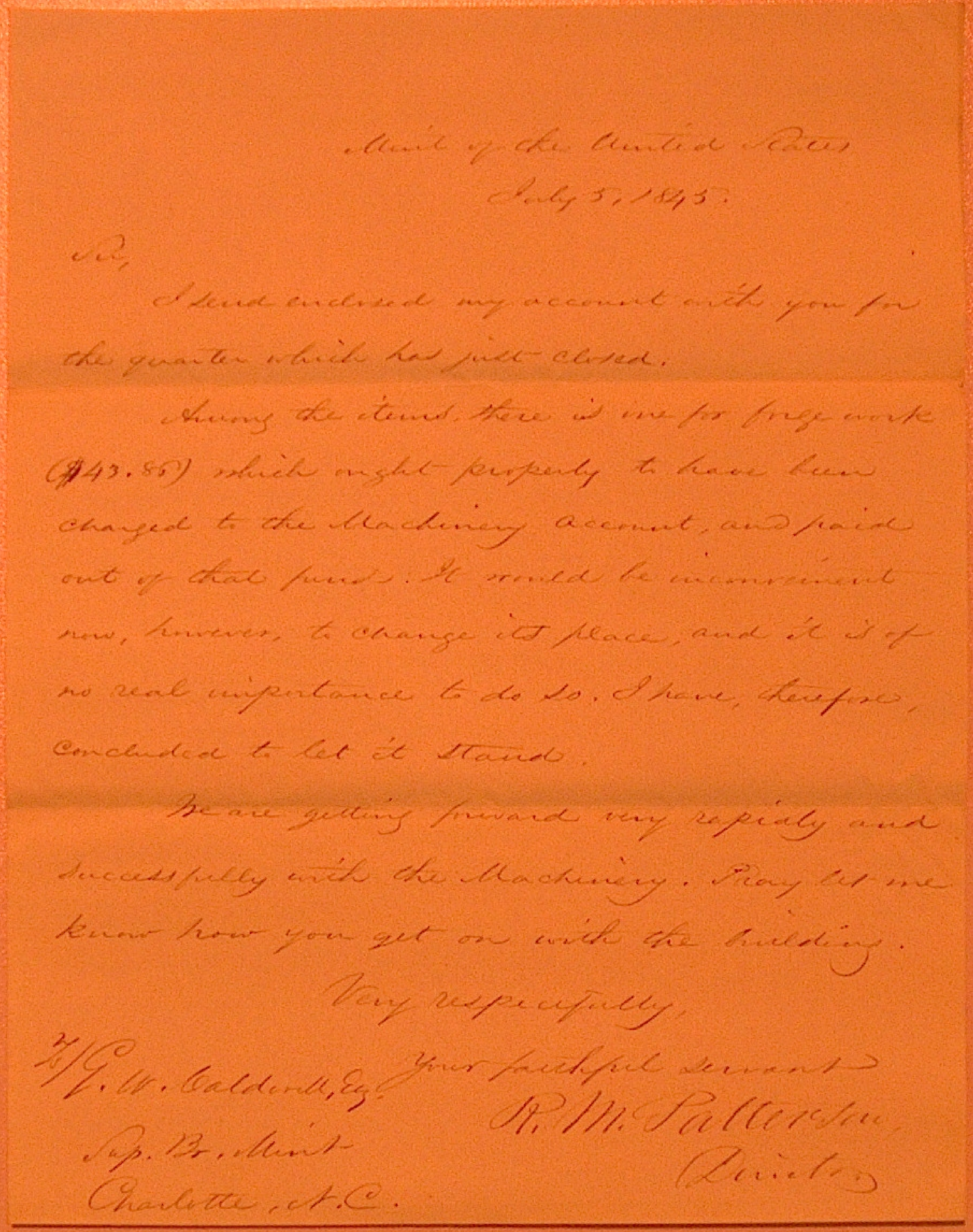
Sir,

In a letter to me of the 19th March last, you say: "I suppose that I will be retained as Superintendent of the Building, and if so, I shall make application, at the proper time, to retain the services of the clerk, should you think it would be available".

In the letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, communicated to you yesterday, authority to employ the clerk is not given. If, however, you think his services important, and let me know that you do so, I will apply to the Department for liberty to secure for you his immediate employment.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To
G. W. Caldwell Esq,
Supt. Br. Mint
Charlotte, N.



Mint of the United States
July 5, 1845.

Sir,

I send enclosed my account with you for the quarter which has just closed.

Among the items there is one for forge work ($43.86) which ought properly to have been charged to the Machinery Account, and paid out of that fund. It would be inconvenient now, however, to change its place, and it is of no real importance to do so. I have, therefore, concluded to let it stand.

We are getting forward very rapidly and successfully with the Machinery. Pray let me know how you get on with the building.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant
R. M. Patterson,
Director

To/ G. W. Caldwell, Esq.
Sup. Br. Mint
Charlotte, N.C.

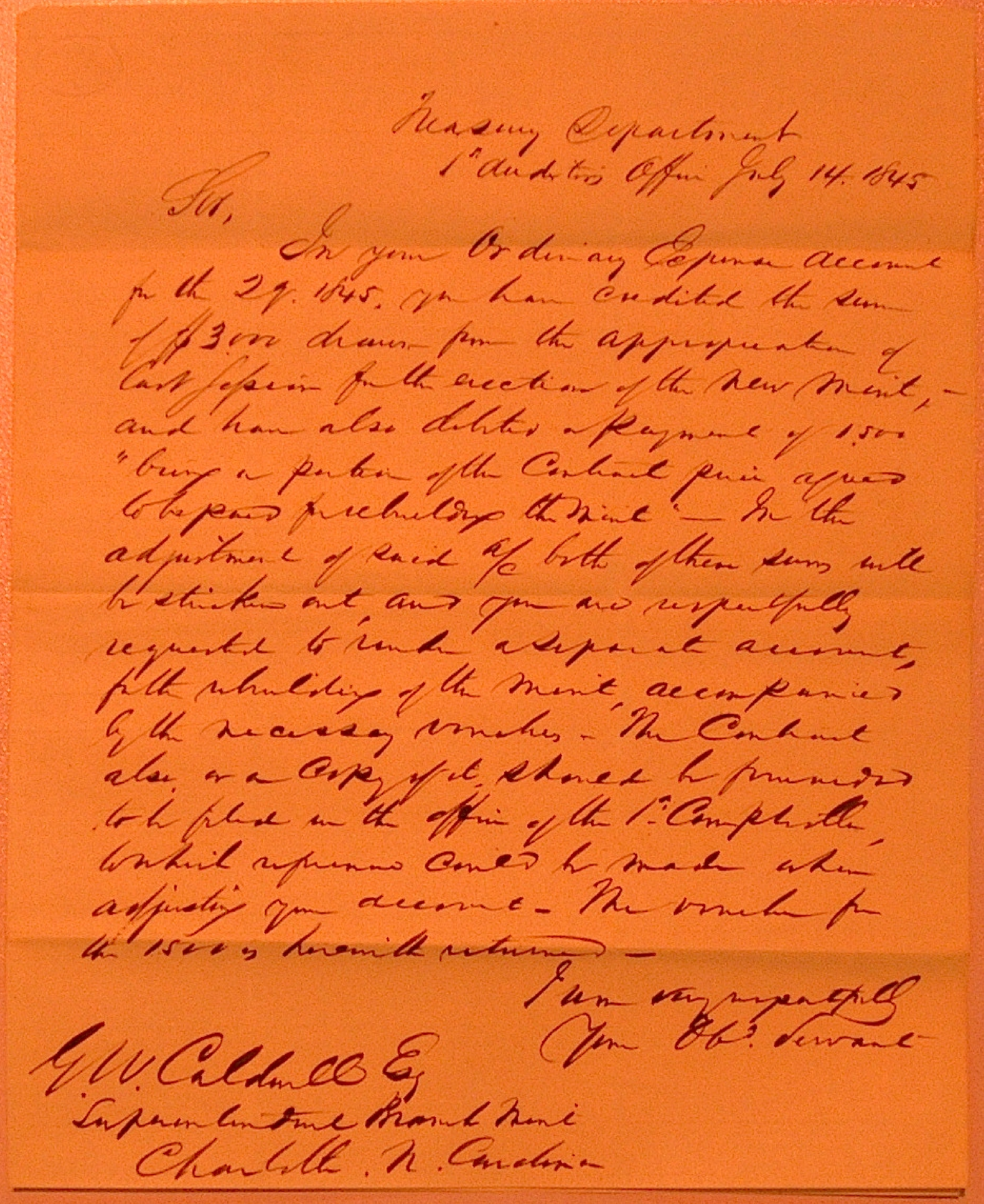
Treasury Department
First Auditors Office
July 10th 1845

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Accounts of Ordinary Expenditures for the Quarter Ending 30th June 1845

With due Respect
Your Obt Servant

To
Green W. Caldwell Esq
Treasurer &c
Charlotte N.C.



Treasury Department
1st Auditor's Office July 14. 1845

Sir,

In your Ordinary Expense account for the 2 q. 1845. you have credited the sum of $3000 drawn from the appropriation of last Session for the erection of the New Mint, — and have also debited a payment of 1500 "being a portion of the Contract price agreed to be paid for rebuilding the Mint" — In the adjustment of said a/c both of these sums will be stricken out, and you are respectfully requested to render a separate account, for the rebuilding of the Mint, accompanied by the necessary vouchers — The Contract also, or a copy of it, should be forwarded to be filed in the office of the 1st Comptroller, to which reference could be made when adjusting your account — The voucher for the 1500 is herewith returned —

I am very respectfully
Your Obt. Servant

G. W. Caldwell Esq
Superintendent Branch Mint
Charlotte. N. Carolina

20 July 1845.

Sir

Your favor of the 14th Inst is at hand returning a voucher for rebuilding the Mint for $1500 and informing me it was entered in the wrong a/c.

I thought it would have been better to have opened a separate A/c for the rebuilding the Mint and therefore made a separate Requisition for the $3.000, but finding that that sum and the sum of $666 66/100 belonging to the Contingent Fund came included in the same Draft I thought it might be the wish of the Department that the whole should be entered and accounted for in the same A/cs which was the reason for my doing so. I shall however hereafter follow your instructions and send separate A/cs.

Yours very respectfully

Enclosed I send you a copy
of the Articles of agreement
and of the Bond for the faithful
execution of the work.

First Auditor

Mint of the United States.
July 16th, 1845

Sir,

I heard, with deep regret, by your letter of the 4th inst., of the death of Mr. John R. Bolton, the Coiner of your Mint. Mr. Bolton was for many years connected with this Mint, and by his constant attention and amiable deportment, secured the confidence and attachment of the officers, to such a degree, that, on the recommendation of the elder Mr. Eckfeldt, he was appointed to the place which he so long held at Charlotte. It is a sad circumstance connected with his death that he should have left his family helpleſs and unprovided for.

I have received, from the Secretary of the Treasury, a letter, of which I send you a copy subjoined. I must state, in regard to it, that the opinion which he refers to, as expressed by me, was that given in my letter of January last.

Under the authority given to me by the Secretary, I think it expedient that Dr. Gibbon should be considered as now in the service of the Charlotte Mint, and that his salary should recommence from the 1st. inst., — the beginning of the present quarter. I shall write to him to day to go without delay to Charlotte, and to yield to you all aid in his power in the construction of that part of the building and apparatus connected with his department. He is not, however, to have any independent control, even there, but is in all matters to ask and receive your consent, before action.

I have given it as my opinion, to the Secretary of the Treasury, that the office of Coiner, rendered vacant by the death of Dr. Bolton, ought to be filled, if possible, by a good Mechanician, whose services might be made immediately available in preparing for the machinery, and afterwards in setting it up; and who, when you get into operation, might at least superintend and direct the necessary repairs.

Very respectfully
your faithful servant
R. M. Patterson
Director

To/
G. W. Caldwell, Esq.
Superintendent of Branch Mint
Charlotte, N. C.

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Copy

Treasury Department
July 11, 1845.

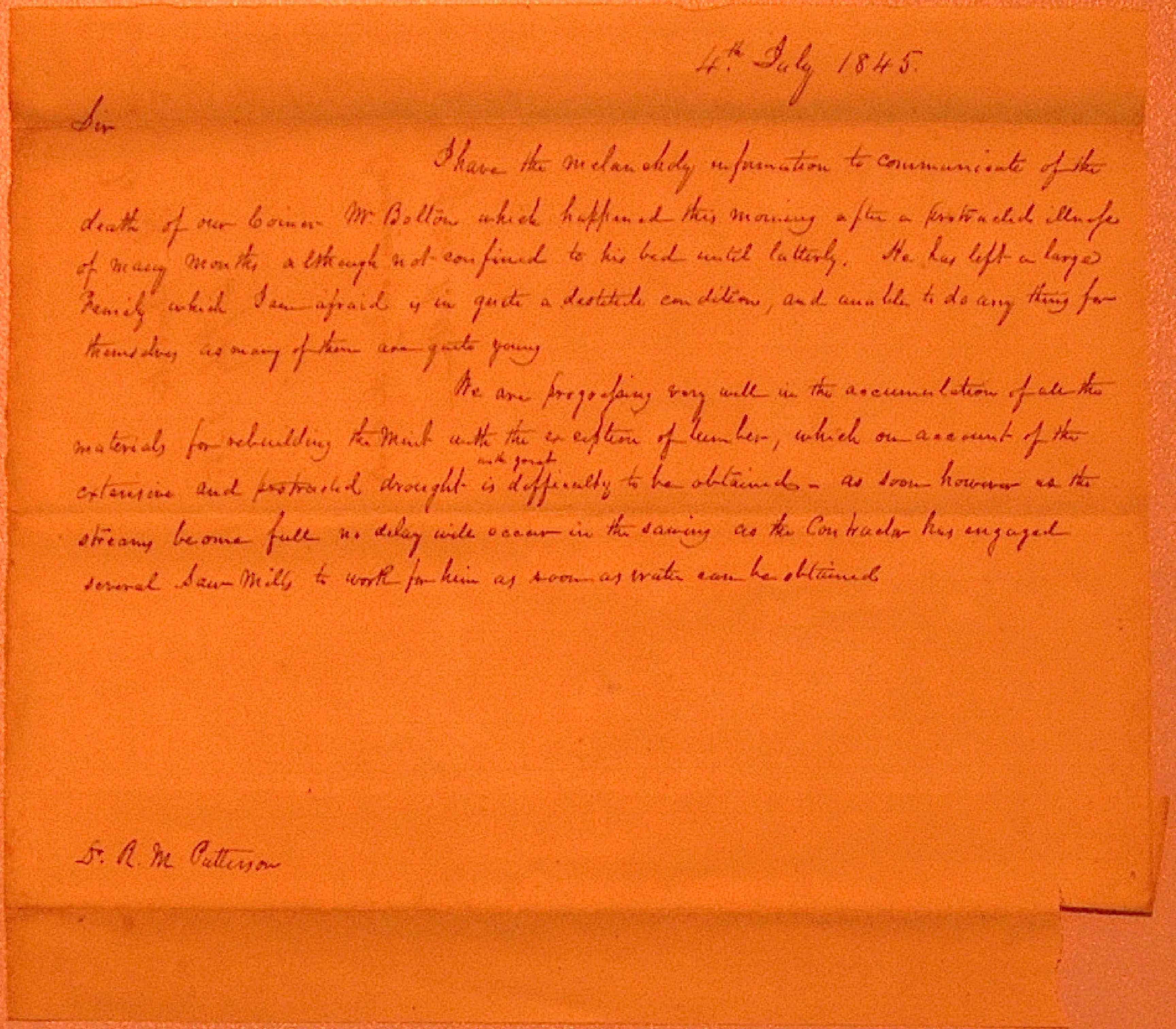
Sir,

I have received your letter of the 1st. instant, calling my attention to a letter addressed by you to the Department in January last, a copy of which was also received.

As you state that in your judgment it is expedient that the Assayer and Coiner of the Branch Mint at Charlotte be continued in service for the purpose of superintending the construction of the furnaces and machinery belonging to their respective departments, you are authorised to employ both these officers, and you will be pleased to give them the necessary instructions.

I remain very resp'y
(signed) R. J. Walker
Sec. of the Treasury

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia



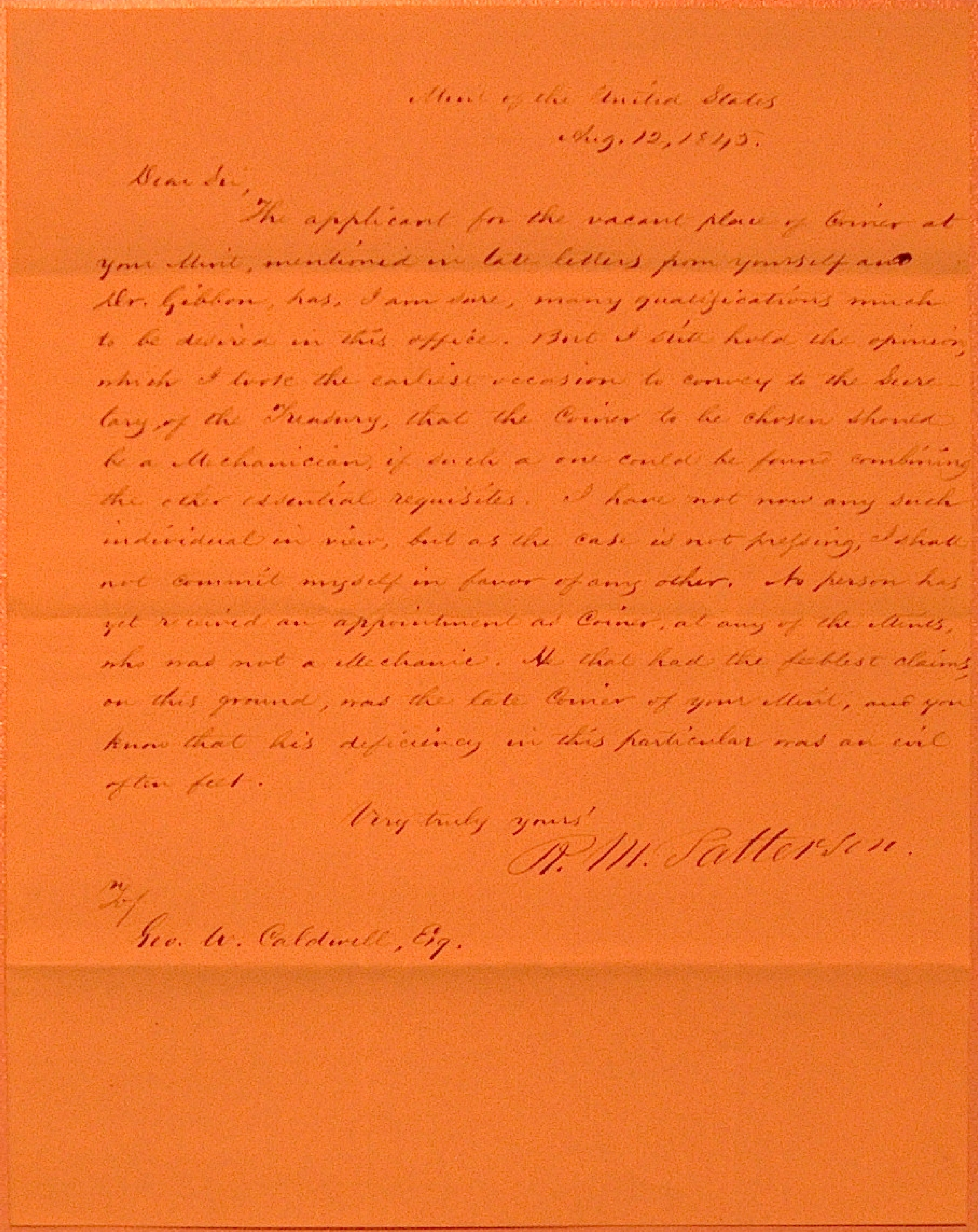
4th July 1845.

Sir

I have the melancholy information to communicate of the death of our Coiner Mr Bolton which happened this morning after a protracted illness of many months although not confined to his bed until latterly. He has left a large Family which I am afraid is in quite a destitute condition, and unable to do any thing for themselves as many of them are quite young

We are progressing very well in the accumulation of all the materials for rebuilding the Mint with the exception of lumber, which on account of the extensive and protracted drought is with great difficulty to be obtained – as soon however as the streams become full no delay will occur in the sawing as the Contractor has engaged several Saw-Mills to work for him as soon as water can be obtained

Dr. R. M. Patterson



Mint of the United States
Aug. 12, 1845.

Dear Sir,

The applicant for the vacant place of Coiner at your Mint, mentioned in late letters from yourself and Dr. Gibbon, has, I am sure, many qualifications much to be desired in this office. But I still hold the opinion, which I took the earliest occasion to convey to the Secretary of the Treasury, that the Coiner to be chosen should be a Mechanician, if such a one could be found combining the other essential requisites. I have not now any such individual in view, but as the case is not preſsing, I shall not commit myself in favor of any other. No person has yet received an appointment as Coiner, at any of the Mints, who was not a Mechanic. He that had the feeblest claims on this ground, was the late Coiner of your Mint, and you know that his deficiency in this particular was an evil often felt.

Very truly yours!

R. M. Patterson.

To/
Geo. W. Caldwell, Esq.